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Deaconess Margaret Infinger, Hodge.

"Louisiana News"

Mrs. V. G. Hyams, Editor; Mrs. W. T. Cunningham, Associate Editor, Natchitoches.

Spiritual Life

Mrs. R. E. Smith, 451 Kings Highway, Shreveport, Chairman.

CALENDAR

January	Annual Reports made at Auxiliary meeting. Pledges and Budgets for year. Pledges reported to District Secretary. Handbook provided for each officer.
February	World-wide Day of Prayer for Missions. Election of Delegates to Annual Meeting. Registration of Delegates.
March	COUNCIL MEETING. Executive Committee Meeting.
April	Annual meeting of Louisiana Conference. Reports of 1st Quarter, made at Auxiliary Meeting. District Meetings.
May	Study of Conference Yearbook and Minutes. Houma Mission Day.
June	Conference for Christian Workers, Shreveport, June 12-16. Executive Committee Meeting.
July	Reports of 2nd Quarter made at Auxiliary Meeting. Missionary Conferences, Mt. Sequoyah, July 18-25. Leadership School at Lake Junaluska, August 10-24.
August	Missionary Conference at Lake Junaluska, August 1-8. Leadership School at Mt. Sequoyah, July 26 to Aug. 8.
September	Study Leaders Institute. Executive Committee Meeting.
October	Mid-Term Executive Meeting. Reports of 3rd Quarter made at Auxiliary Meeting.
November	Week of Prayer. Election of Officers. Send list of Officers to District Secretary at Once.
December	Harvest Day—Pledges, Offering and Scarritt Maintenance paid in full. Executive Committee Meeting. Installation of Officers. Officers Training Day.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance—

Mrs. F. W. Raggio
Mrs. W. H. Martin
Mrs. C. C. Carver
Mrs. L. A. Sims
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Mrs. H. N. Tannehill
Mrs. W. D. Storms

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Mrs. Claude Ellender
Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter

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Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter
Mrs. H. J. Powers
Rev. G. W. Dameron

Rural Work—

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Miss Ella K. Hooper
Mrs. George Sexton, Jr.
Mrs. W. E. Fine
Mrs. D. C. Metcalf
Mrs. W. C. McDonald

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Mrs. Gilman McConnell
Mrs. Ed Conger
Mrs. J. W. Warren
Mrs. H. B. Wren
Mrs. J. N. McDonald
Mrs. S. M. Collins

Spiritual Life and Message—

Mrs. Sudie Lingle
Mrs. Guy Hicks
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Christian Citizenship and Law Observance—
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International Relations and World Peace—
Mrs. C. W. Berry, Winnsboro.

Industrial Relations—
Miss Suzie Lyons, 6018 Benjamin, New Orleans.

Rural Development—
Mrs. W. E. Fine, Homer.

Interracial Cooperation—
Mrs. John Foster, 144 Ockley Drive, Shreveport.

Scarritt Promotion—
Mrs. Gilman McConnell, P.O. Box 356, Baton Rouge.

ROLL OF REMEMBRANCE

"But as it is written, eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him."

"The stars shall endure for a million years,
For a million years and aye;
But God and I shall live and love,
When the stars are passed away."

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

Mrs. Crandall
Mrs. Pickett
Mrs. Julia Grace
Mrs. Aldridge
Mrs. Audebert
Mrs. Williams
Mrs. DeWitt

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

Mrs. A. M. Ducote
Mrs. E. J. Riggs
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Miss Eddie Bentley
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Mrs. R. G. McDonald
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Mrs. Phillip Werlein
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Mrs. Fannie Belle Sizemore	Mrs. C. Y. Allen
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Mrs. Anna Manheime	Mrs. Janie Hayes
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Mrs. A.C. Wilkins	Mrs. Francis Clarkston
Mrs. Geo. B. Schnitzer	Mrs. W. F. Stoddard
Mrs. Lane Morris	Mrs. Charles Douglas

PRAYER SPECIALS

Pray that spiritual values of unification may remain dominant in our thoughts during the difficult period of change and ajustment.

Pray that a United Methodism may move forward against forces of evil.

Pray for suffering minority groups throughout the world.

Pray for the rehabilitation program in China and the strengthening of Christian forces.

Pray for the youth Crusade and the Fellowship of Evangelism.

Pray that well trained, consecrated young people will hear God's voice as he calls for workers at home and abroad.

WEEK OF PRAYER SPECIALS, 1939

Home Department

(1) $4,000 to the Amherstdale Project of West Virginia Coal Fields.

(2) $4,000 to the West Dallas Woman's City Board Work for a Recreation Building.

(3) The balance to be directed to Retirement and Relief Fund.

Foreign Department

Erection of a Woman's College at Colegio Bennett, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

BUDGET FOR 1939

Council Pledge	$28,000
Conference Expenses	2,500
Total	$30,500

ECHOES FROM COUNCIL

"Civilization is paging Christianity."—Bishop Charles W. Flint.

"It is the Christians that hold the world together." Basil Matthews—Quoted by Mrs. English.

"We must find for ourselves those springs of righteousness which will help us to live to the fullest the Christian way."—Mrs. Merle English.

"The eternal purposes of God underlie all the plans, programs and policies of Unification."—Mrs. J. W. Perry.

"To dare nobly is the glory of life."—Mrs. J. W. Mills.

"Only the church can restore to the present generation a sense of security and hope."—Rabbi Julius Mark.

"The World Outlook can help to wipe out the Mason and Dixon line."—Miss Estelle Haskin.

"The spiritual geography of one's life can be either the physical environment of daily routine, or it can be the whole world as one follows Christ in an identity of love and service."—Dr. James H. Straughan.

"Climb high, climb far, climb on, in service for God in the present age."—Mrs. J. W. Perry.

Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon said of the Madras Conference: "The fellowship in worship welded into one, all difficulties of race, age and denomination.

"In 69 nations of the earth Christian people are thinking in terms of the Madras Conference."

The 1940 session of the Woman's Missionary Council will be held in New Orleans.

THE LAKE CHARLES CONFERENCE

The twenty-ninth annual session of the Louisiana Conference was held in beautiful southern Louisiana in the interesting city of Lake Charles—Lake Charles with its beautiful flowers, its lovely lake, its gorgeous gardens and stately palms!

Conference time is always one of great joy for those who have been before, to greet each other again and such a thrill for those

who are there for the first time! And a great number were at the Lake Charles Conference for their **very first** conference.

Many were the courtesies extended to the Conference by the Lake Charles Church. Never shall we forget the genial pastor host, Rev. H. L. Johns and his charming wife who was "ever present" at the organ through the long sessions of the Conference, the many lovely homes extending Christian hospitality, the altar freshly decked each morning with the many and varied springtime flowers, and all who ministered unceasingly to the comfort and happiness of their guests and still the "half has not been told."

The theme, "The Lighted World," which had been chosen for the Conference held first place in our hearts and mind. Ever before us was an electrically lighted globe, the symbol of a world lighted by the gospel message—even the Kingdom of God on earth.

Well might the twenty-ninth session of the Louisiana Conference be called the Unification Session. Nearly every speaker mentioned the "Wedding Day of Methodism" so fast approaching and a prayer was on the heart and lips of each one, "that we may all be **one** in Christ Jesus so that **the world** might believe."

The two distinguished guests of the Conference, Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, formerly Secretary of Education and Promotion of the Woman's Missionary Council and Dr. Grace Sloan Overton of the Federal Council of Churches brought such illuminating and thrilling messages that hearts were stirred as we realized that these were indeed messages for **this day** in which we live.

The closing prayer of the Conference lead by Mrs. Lipscomb and taken from Dr. Fosdick's hymn was most appropriate!

Grant us wisdom,
Grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour,
Grant us wisdom,
Grant us courage,
For the living of these days,
Grant us wisdom,
Grant us courage,
Trat we fail not man nor Thee.

F.K.P.

RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION

As we pause to express deep gratitude and warm appreciation for this, the 1939 session of the Annual Conference of the Woman's Missionary Society of Louisiana, in session in Lake Charles, Louisiana, April 11-13, we feel profoundly thankful for all carefully

planned arrangements, details, courtesies, and friendly kindnesses of the people of Lake Charles. We are grateful also for the beautifully executed program and for every person or group who had part in it. Surely the beautiful city of Lake Charles was dressed in her new Easter finery to welcome us and to form a perfect setting for our program theme: "The Lighted World."

We wish to express our sincere appreciation and gratitude to the following:

To our hostess auxiliary and her efficient president, to every member or friend who served in any way on any committee, for a brand of hospitality even exceeding that for which South Louisiana is famed.

To our hostess Church; to Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Johns, pastor hosts, and Rev. and Mrs. B. H. Andrews, presiding elder hosts, and their families.

To the ministers and wives and members of the congregations of the other Methodist Churches, soon to be "our Methodist Churches."

To the ministers and friends of all denominations who so graciously cooperated with us.

To the Choir Director, the organists and pianists, the splendid choir, the gifted soloists, the girls' trio, and the music committee, who made possible the very lovely music which lifted us closer to our father God.

To the flower committees and those who shared their gardens, for the profusion of beautiful flowers which gave untold joy.

To all friends of all denominations who so graciously opened their hearts and their homes for the entertainment of Conference delegates and guests.

To the young women who served so efficiently as pages.

To the chairman and committees who made possible the serving of the Unifying Dinner which was delightful in every detail.

The the Presbyterian Church and Auxiliary for each day's most enjoyable luncheon.

To the press of Lake Charles, and the local firms and organizations which served in varied capacities, especially to the Majestic Hotel for generous cooperation.

To Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Watkins for their charming courtesy and hospitality in the offering of their home and exquisite gardens for the pleasure of delegates and friends.

To our Louisiana Conference President and every member of her executive board and assistants who brought to us the marvelous

program with its theme, "The Lighted World," and for every detail of the program, executive sessions, business sessions and special features.

To our honored guest speakers, Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb and Dr. Grace Sloan Overton, for their charming presence and inspiring messages.

To our own President for her opening message; to our Superintendent of Mission and Bible Study for the Unifying Dinner program; to the ministers for the administration of the Holy Communion; to the Superintendent of Spiritual Life for the morning meditations with their messengers of the Spirit; to the Conference Secretary and District Secretaries who, as Builders of the Highway, gave such vividly interesting reports; to the deaconesses of our Louisiana institutions, city, town and rural work for their messages; to the various department superintendents and committees for their excellent recommendations and reports; to those who presented moments of quiet devotion at the opening of the sessions; to our deaconess of First Church Shreveport, for her lecture and pictures of the Holy Land; for the Memorial and Life member recognition services; to the President of our Louisiana Young People's Conference for his message on Youth Crusade Movement; to our Conference Extension Secretary for his message on Pastors' and Christian Workers School; for the service, "Lighting High the Torch," honoring all missionaries supported by Louisiana Conference; for the presentation of Scarrett promotion; for the many, many lovely features such as "the lighted globe," the kind thought of Patricia McHugh, who sent lovely place cards from Korea, the sweet songs of "Mary and Martha" from Houma, the attractive flower posters for Baby Specials and Baby Life Members, the poster with its silver ribbon roads leading to the Kingdom of God, the copies of the Louisiana News, the excellent printed programs, the Scarrett photographs, the pictures of the Burton home and courtesy of invitation to enjoy the Burton gardens and grounds.

To the Louisiana Superintendent of Publicity for the Book Room and the interesting display of printed publications.

Truly the Conference was centered about the Lighted World and our hearts were drawn to the one who is "The Light of the World."

MRS. GUY HICKS, Chairman
MRS. DeWITT HENRY
MRS. A. L. GILMORE

MINUTES OF THE MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE MEETING

The Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference held its mid-year session in the interesting and historic old city of Natchitoches on October 19th and 20th, 1938.

The Wednesday morning session opened promptly at 10:30 with the President, Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., presiding. The new members of the executive body, Mrs. G. J. Tinsley and Mrs. Ira Campbell, and the new deaconess, Miss Margaret Infinger, were introduced. Announcements were made concerning local entertainment for the executive body.

The devotional hour was led by Mrs. R. E. Smith, Conference Spiritual Life Leader, who read the story of the "Rich Young Ruler" and centered her thought for meditation on the words, "one thing thou lackest." A discussion of devotional books recently read followed, and the period was closed with prayer by Mrs. Smith.

Time was taken for a check-up of books belonging to the Conference Reading Circle and a re-distribution was made.

The roll was called and every officer and district secretary answered to her name showing a one hundred percent attendance.

The reports of officers was the first order of business. Mrs. Sexton told briefly of her many and varied duties as president and of her responsibilities as a delegate to General Conference in Birmingham and as a member of the Youth's Crusade Commission. She spoke of plans for future work, particularly stressing Indian Work in Louisiana.

Mrs. W. H. Martin, vice president, reported she has assisted in a number of district, zone and auxiliary meetings. She reported two honorary life members, twenty-six life members, one junior life member and forty-six baby life members. One name had been placed on the memorial roll.

Mrs. R. E. Smith, chairman of Spiritual Life Committee, reported on this important work. She stated much of the progress of the work was due to the district secretaries. She discussed some reports of spiritual life work of various auxiliaries that had come to her.

Mrs. V. G. Hyams, editor of the "Louisiana News" was introduced.

The President appointed the following Committees:

Education and Promotion—Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter and district secretaries with Mrs. G. J. Tinsley and Mrs. G. W. Dameron.

Finance Committee—Mesdames Carver, Martin and Dameron.

Conference Program Committee—Mesdames Sexton, Pollard, Metcalf, Davidson and Jones.

The Conference Secretary, Mrs. Ledbetter, made the report of the work of her office and spoke of the many meetings attended, especially the two meetings of the Board of Missions. Her statistical report showed the total membership of the Conference 7,460—135 new members added during the quarter and 1,575 subscribers to the World Outlook.

The Natchitoches ladies announced luncheon and the meeting adjourned.

Luncheon

The noon hour was a real social occasion when the Conference officers and district secretaries were the guests of the Natchitoches Auxiliary at a beautifully appointed luncheon. The small tables were attractively decorated with fall flowers and unique little favors, typical of historic Natchitoches, were at each plate. Mrs. W. M. Woodyard and others served as hostess.

Wednesday Afternoon Session

The Wednesday afternoon meeting was in the form of an Open Session for the Natchitoches and surrounding auxiliaries. The meeting opened promptly at 3 o'clock with Mrs. W. M. Martin, vice-president, presiding. The following program was given:

Worship Service—Deaconess Verna Webster.

Greetings—Mrs. W. M. Woodyard, President of Natchitoches Woman's Missionary Society.

The Conference at Work—Mrs. George Sexton, Jr.

Orchids to the Secretaries—Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter.

Special Music.

Address "Now We Are Sixty"—Mrs. John B. Pollard.

Closing Prayer—Mrs. G. W. Dameron.

A surprise feature of this session was the presentation of an HONORARY Life membership to Mrs. W. T. Cunningham by the Natchitoches Auxiliary.

Wednesday Night Session

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Sexton. The opening prayer was led by Mrs. Cunningham and reports of officers were resumed.

Mrs. Carver made the report of the Treasurer for the first three quarters of the year, reading it by districts. She reported $17,165.48 had been paid on the $27,000 pledge and stated she felt sure the

pledge would be paid in full. A discussion followed on the possibility of over paying the pledge sufficiently to pay the salary of Miss Patricia McHugh, recently gone to Korea.

Mrs. Ledbetter exhibited a blue print and spoke of improvements to be made at MacDonell School.

Mrs. Powers reported on Young Women's Circles and said 9 newly organized groups had been formed. In writing to auxiliary presidents she had urged that young women's circles integrate. She spoke of the new auxiliary office that has been created—a secretary of young women's groups.

Mrs. Eicher, reporting for Children's Work, stated that the last unit for children was a study of the American Indian and that there was an increase in number of reports received, more children reached, and more interest and enthusiasm shown.

Mrs. Tinsley, newly elected Superintendent of Literature and Publicity reported that literature has been mailed quarterly, many letters written and that 93 out of 247 auxiliaries had repored last quarter.

Mrs. Hyams, editor of "Louisiana News," requested that all news items reach her by the 10th of each month.

Mrs. Dameron, in making her report on Mission and Bible Study, expressed her appreciation for her scholarship to Scarritt Summer School. She told of the enthusiastic and profitable Mission Study Leaders's meetings held in each district and said that she with Mrs. Ledbetter and Mrs. Metcalf travelled over a thousand miles to hold these meetings. She reported 157 Mission Study and 158 Bible Study classes.

Mrs. Metcalf, in reporting for the Christian Social Relations Department, stated only about 50 per cent of the auxiliaries were reporting. She expressed a great desire that many splendid Christian Social Relations activities would result from the fall study on "The City and Its Church."

Mrs. Jones, Superintendent of Supplies, reported as follows for the first three quarters:

Total amount of cash, $1,719.17; total value of boxes sent to St. Marks and MacDonell School, $1,357.35—grand total of supplies $3,077.52. She brought a request from the St. Marks Board of New Orleans asking the Conference to raise funds for a new car for St. Marks through the Supply Department.

After some discussion, on motion of Mrs. Pollard, it was voted that the Conference obtain funds for a new car for St. Marks early in 1939—this to be done through the Supply Department.

Deaconess Verna Webster of Cedar Grove Church and Margaret Infinger of Hodge spoke briefly of their work.

Reports of Standing Committees was the next order of business.

Mrs. Metcalf, chairman of Rural Work Committee, spoke encouragingly of the work of the rural Deaconess, Miss Shiela Nuttall, now serving in the Monroe District. Mrs. Sexton, chairman of Candidate Committee, gave thanks to Mrs. Ledbetter for stressing candidacy work in the Mission Study Leaders' meetings in the various districts.

The meeting was adjourned for committee meetings.

Thursday Morning

The Thursday morning session was held in the Y.M.C.A. building on the campus of the Louisiana State Normal College with Mrs. Sexton presiding. Mrs. C. I. Jones led the morning meditation and used for her subject "Prayer."

The minutes of the Wednesday morning and night meetings were read, corrected and adopted.

Mrs. Sexton spoke on the Rural Commission which was set up by the General Conference and stated that two women with the President of the Woman's Conference would be members of the Rural Commission of the Louisiana Annual Conference. Miss Ella Hooper and Mrs. J. B. Pollard were elected as representatives on this commission.

The president appointed the following to serve with her as a committee for Indian work: Miss Hooper, Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Metcalf.

Work of the Personnel Committee was discussed and the following committee was elected:

Mrs. W. T. Cunningham, Mrs. Gilman McConnell, Mrs. Ed Conger, Mrs. J. W. Warren, Mrs. H. B. Wren, Mrs. J. N. McDonald and Mrs. S. M. Collins.

The report of the Committee on Education and Promotion was read and the following recommendations were adopted:

1. That a course on General Missions, taught by a Council representative, be substituted for the Leadership of Mission Study Groups.

2. That Conference pay the expense of one car from each district and one half of the registration and board for Zone Leaders to the Pastors' School.

3. That Harvest Day and the Sixtieth Anniversary be a combined celebration where practicable.

4. That the $25.00 allowed the District Secretaries for promotional work, be continued.

The report of the Committee on Conference Program was read, discussed and the following recommendations were adopted.

1. That the theme of the Conference be "The Lighted World."

2. That Conference be held the second week in April (April 11 through 13) and that Mrs. J. W. Mills be invited to be the Council guest.

3. That Conference open at 3 o'clock Tuesday, April 11 with the Executive Committee Meeting at 1 o'clock.

4. That a fellowship dinner at 6 o'clock follow the opening session Tuesday.

5. That Bishop A. Frank Smith or Dr. Paul Quillian be invited as special speaker for Tuesday night.

6. That Deaconess Grace Gatewood be invited to give a lecture on the Holy Land using, if feasible, Dr. Dawson's slides.

7. That a special effort be made to get the Lake Charles deaconess daughters: Julia Reed, Dorothy Weber, and Marjorie Haggart back for the Conference.

8. That the Conference adjourn with luncheon Thursday.

9. That the remaining details of the Conference be left to the Committee.

The meeting was adjourned to enjoy a delightful sightseeing trip to points of interest on the campus of the State Normal College and of the city of Natchitoches, after which the executive body was the guest of Mr. A. A. Fredericks, president of the State Normal College, for luncheon in the spacious dinner hall of the college.

Thursday Afternoon Session

The election of alternates for Council meeting in 1939 was the next order of business.

Mrs. Dameron was elected alternate for the President.

Mrs. Pollard was elected alternate for the Conference Secretary.

It was voted to leave the increase of the pledge to council to the Council representatives.

That matter of placing a religious counsellor on the campus at the State Normal College was discussed and on motion of Mrs. Metcalf it was voted the Committee of Home Work be requested to appoint a student worker at the College.

The place of meeting of the Executive Committee for 1939 will be decided at Conference.

Mrs. Campbell reported on the privilege of attending the Leadership School and Missionary Conference at Lake Junaluska. The contact with the church Leaders and returned missionaries, she said was the most helpful and stimulating experience she had ever known. She thanked the Conference for making it possible for her to go, so soon after election to the office of District Secretary.

The meeting was adjourned.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

(Held at Lake Charles, La.)

Tuesday Afternoon

The Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference met in the Educational Building of First Church on Tuesday afternoon. The devotional message was brought by Mrs. J. H. Thatcher who read the twelfth chapter of Romans and centered her message around the thought: "Our search to know the will of God." The worship period was closed with prayer by Mrs. Thatcher.

After a few preliminary remarks concerning the Conference Program by Mrs. Sexton, the personnel of the conference committees was filled.

Mrs. E. C. Gibson, secretary of the Monroe District extended an invitation to the Executive Committee from the Rayville Auxiliary to hold its mid-year meeting in their city in October. On motion of Mrs. Martin, the invitation was accepted with thanks and appreciation.

Mrs. Ledbetter gave a few instructions concerning the organization of Sessions Committes and Mrs. Dameron made announcements concerning the "Unification Dinner."

The subject of leadership training was discussed and recommendations from a number of Council Committees were read and given thoughtful consideration. Discussion followed on eligible women to attend Scarritt College Summer School and the Missionary Conference at Mt. Sequoyah. No action was taken as time for adjournment had arrived.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary

Wednesday Night Executive Meeting

The Executive Committee met at the close of the Wednesday night Conference session at the Majestic Hotel.

The matter of sending missionary women who could meet the requirements of the Council was resumed. The recommendations were reread.

After thoughtful consideration of first recommendation, on the motion of Mrs. Dameron, it was voted that the Louisiana Conference make no nomination this year for a prospective missions teacher to attend Scarritt Summer School.

On motion of Mrs. Dameron, it was voted that the Louisiana Conference pay the expense of a car to take five women to the

Missionary Conference at Mt. Sequoyah (July 18-25) for specialized training.

Careful consideration was given to the second recommendation which provided for "two outstanding young women and the Conference Treasurer to attend the Missionary Conference at Mt. Sequouyah." After a number of nominations were made, Mrs. Ira Campbell and Mrs. J. J. Davidson, Jr. and Mrs. C. C. Carver were chosen. Mrs. C. I. Jones and Mrs. Laskey of Ruston were elected alternates.

The next recommendation recommending that the Conference Superintendent of Christian Social Relations attend Missionary Conference at Mt. Sequoyah was read. After discussion, on the motion of Mrs. Ledbetter, it was voted that Mrs. D. C. Metcalf be sent and go in the car provided by the Conference.

The fourth recommendation which asked that the Conference nominate a "choice young woman, educationally qualified for specialized training at Scarritt during the term June 12--July 19" was given most careful attention. The Council provides $50.00 for this scholarship. After discussion, on motion of Mrs. Tinsley, it was voted that the selection of this young woman be left to Mrs. Metcalf and Mrs. Sexton. On motion of Mrs. Pollard, it was voted that the Conference pay the travel expense of this selected person.

The last recommendation was from the Candidate Committee of the Council which recommended that the Conference provide a $50.00 scholarship for "a college graduate of outstanding leadership and ability" to attend Scarritt Summer School, June 12-July 19. The purpose of this is to introduce young women to Scarritt, to deepen their understanding of the Missionary purpose and program of the church, and to increase their efficiency in the local church. On motion of Mrs. Jones, it was voted to provide this scholarship and on motion of Mrs. Tinsley, it was voted to pay travel expenses for her. The selection of this young woman will be made by the Candidate Committee of the Conference. This completed the recommendations.

After discussion, on motion of Mrs. Pollard, it was voted to pay board and room for Conference Superintendent of Bible and Mission Study to Missionary Conference at Mt. Sequoyah and that she go in the car provided by Conference.

After discussion, on motion of Mrs. Martin, it was voted to allow $15.00 a month for running expenses of Miss Infinger's car to enable her to do more rural work.

A number of letters from various leaders in the Monroe District requesting the Executive Committee to allow Miss Sheila Nuttall to remain for another year's work in the Monroe District were read. After careful consideration, on motion of Mrs. Pollard, it was voted that Miss Nuttall remain in Monroe District this year.

The next order of business was the election of Chairman of Standing Committees. Mrs. F. W. Raggio of Baton Rouge was nominated and elected Chairman of Finance Committee and Mrs. S. M. Collins of Monroe was nominated and elected Chairman of Committee on By-Laws.

The meeting adjourned **promptly at midnight.**

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary

MINUTES OF CONFERENCE SESSIONS

Tuesday Afternoon Session

After a few moments of quiet music and meditation, the President, Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., called to order the twenty-ninth session of the Louisiana Conference at three p.m.

The hymn "The Morning Light is Breaking" was sung and prayer was led by Mrs. W. T. Cunningham. A vocal solo "Awake Thou that Sleepeth" was sung by Mrs. Edwin Knapp. A few announcements were made by the President.

The minutes of the mid-year Executive meeting held in Natchitoches were read by Mrs. J. B. Pollard.

The report of the Registrations Committee by Mrs. Lonnie Clark, Chairman, showed one hundred and thirty-nine had registered at that time.

The following committees were appointed: "Examining Minutes"—Mrs. E. E. Stewart, Mrs. W. C. McDonald, Miss A. A. McKnight. "Resolutions"—Mrs. Guy Hicks, Mrs. DeWitt Henry and Mrs. A. L. Gilmore.

Mrs. W. H. Martin, Vice-President, took the chair and introduced the President, Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., who gave her annual message. She said, "In choosing the theme, 'The Lighted World' for our program this year, we are not unmindful of world conditions—yet, we dare to speak of a 'Lighted World'—for the light which came from Calvary still 'shineth in darkness.' " (See Minutes for Address). As the President gave this message, there was before her a large globe of the world electrically lighted, a symbol of "The Lighted World." This was stationed prominently on the platform throughout the entire Conference Session.

Mrs. W. H. Martin, the Vice-President, in making her annual report stated that she had the happiest job in the Conference—that of promoting life memberships and keeping the records. (See Minutes.)

The Conference Treasurer gave the statistical report of the Conference for 1938. This report showed that the total amount sent the Council Treasurer was $30,000.73. The Week of Prayer offering was $2,206.78. The total amount received from Life Memberships was $2,425.00. (See Minutes for Report.)

The afternoon session was adjourned with the benediction for the convening of the following Sessions Committees—Extension of Work, Education, Childrens, Christian Social Relations and Spiritual Life and Message.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President
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"The Unifying Dinner"

Promptly at 6:30, approximately 250 women sat down together in the spacious dining hall of First Church, where a delicious chicken dinner was served. Place cards at each plate had been sent for this special occasion by Louisiana's Missionary daughter, Miss Patricia McHugh of Korea. Mrs. G. W. Dameron served as toast mistress. A number of pastors and officials of the Women's Organizations of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Protestant Methodist were special guests. Words of greeting were extended to them and proper responses were made by them. During the serving of the dinner, Mrs. C. I. Jones told of prominent women of the other branches of Methodism whom she had met and heard speak at the Council meeting in Asheville, N. C. Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter told of a Spiritual Life Retreat which was held in December in Cincinnati, where women of the three Methodisms "fellowshipped" and worshipped together. Community singing was led by Rev. H. L. Johns.

Tuesday Night Session

With the President, Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., presiding, the Tuesday evening session was opened with the singing of the hymn, "In Christ There Is No East Nor West." Scripture Reading and Prayer were given by Rev. B. H. Andrews, Presiding Elder of the Lake Charles District. The anthem, "Send Out Thy Light," was most beautifully sung by First Church Choir.

The highlight of the evening service was the address, "Women of the New Methodism" given by Dr. Grace Sloan Overton, a nationally known lecturer and writer, and a member of the Church, North. After naming five emancipations of women, biological, psychological, citizenship, economic and moral she said, "What will be our management of these emancipations?" A few pertinent remarks in her address—We must pass from motherhood to parenthood, from protected womanhood to co-partnership, from piousity to

righteousness. . . . We must be governmentally minded . . . In a Methodist Church with eight million people working for a Christian government, it will have to come. . . . As Methodists we must rediscover conversion and redemptive love . . . we must have more revivals, the world is ready for it. . . . As I sat with youth on University Campuses, I can say, they don't scorn it, but are ready for it. Redemptive love is our only excuse for living.

At the conclusion of this great address, Holy Communion was administered by Rev. H. L. Johns and visiting pastors, and the meeting was dismissed with the benediction.

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Wednesday Morning Session

At 8:45, the morning worship was conducted by Mrs. R. E. Smith. The hymn, "Watchman Tell Us of the Night," was sung and at its conclusion, Mrs. Smith stated "that the sign of promise (To-day) is the dawning of brotherhood." Rev. H. L. Johns, Pastor-Host, brought the message, using for his subject "That They May Be One." He read from the scripture the prayer of Jesus in the upper room for his disciples "that they may be one that the **world** might believe." He spoke of Unification as the "Wedding Day of Methodism." This period of worship was closed with prayer by Rev. Johns.

As a sweet singer sang "Heralds of Christ," Mrs. Ledbetter, Conference Secretary and the seven District Secretaries took their places on the platform and the work of the Womans' Missionary Society of the Louisiana Conference for the year 1938 was presented. And well might this be called "Builders of the Highway." A poster was displayed showing the roads of the Womans' Missionary Society which lead to the Kingdom of God.

Each District Secretary told what highways her district had been building and what materials used. Mrs. Dunford, Alexandria Secretary said, "the connectional gifts in her district exceeded the local gifts." Mrs. Fairchild reporting for Baton Rouge District said, "What a blessed privilege to be a co-builder with the Master." Mrs. J. J. Davidson, Jr., of the Lake Charles District said, "The roads of the Lake Charles District were much smoother this year." Mrs. Gibson said, "The Monroe District has used all available materials this year in building highways to the kingdom of God." Mrs. Thatcher reporting stated that the New Orleans District road building had advanced along all lines and pointed out that Jesus is the **road to God.** In reporting road building of the Ruston District, Mrs. Kinnebrew

compared this to the roads of the Bible, the road from Jerusalem to Jericho, the road Phillip took to Gazo, the triumphant road into Jerusalem and the Road to Emmaeus. Mrs. Campbell, Secretary of Shreveport District, spoke of resurfacing some roads with life memberships and beautifying the roads with Baby Specials.

Mrs. Ledbetter closed this interesting discussion of Road Building by giving a summary of the work of the Conference. She stated that every district had overpaid its pledge—Alexandria District, 7 per cent; Baton Rouge, 14 per cent; Lake Charles, 2⅓ per cent; Monroe, 4¾ per cent; New Orleans, 30 per cent; Ruston, 12½ per cent, and Shreveport, 3 5-7 per cent. The Conference had paid $3,378.21 more to Council in 1938 than in 1937. (See Minutes for Reports of all Secretaries.)

The President, Mrs. Sexton, took the chair and telegrams of greetings from Miss Julia Reed and Rev. D. B. Raulins were read by the Secretary. Mrs. Lonnie Clark gave a more complete report of registrations, showing 179 had registered.

Announcements were made by the Lake Charles Auxiliary President, Mrs. Mutersbaugh, Mrs. Tinsley, Superintendent of Literature, said a book room had been arranged and a fine display of books from the Publishing House was for sale.

On motion of Mrs. Pollard, it was voted that a message of love and sympathy from the Conference be sent to Mrs. S. M. Collins of Monroe, a former Conference President.

A high point in the Conference Session was the address given by Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, formerly secretary of education and promotion of the Council and the "Council Guest" of the Conference. Her subject, "Women of the Orient," was most thrilling, as she had recently returned from a two year's visit to the Orient. She told of two Woman's Missionary Conferences of Chinese women that she had attended in Soochow and Shanghai. She paid a tribute to the leadership of the Chinese women—their grace, charm, poise and ability, all products of our mission schools.

The Woman's Conference held in Shanghai was made up of refugees of the brutalities of war. Many of them told how they had walked many miles to attend the Conference meeting. Some had crossed the mountain in two feet of snow and had arrived with ice and snow on their backs. Mrs. Lipscomb closed this illuminating address by saying, "While many of our buildings have been burned, damaged, looted, many of them entirely gone, yet the real things still abide—Sacrificial gifts made by the missionary women of the church continue to bear fruit.

A vocal solo, "A Morning Hymn" was sung by Mr. Edwin Knapp.

Dr. Overton was noted in the congregation and was called to

the platform for a few farewell words and read a poem entitled, "Making Man Come Right."

The next hour was spent with our Council workers in Louisiana Mission Fields. Reports were made by Miss Julia Lovin, Miss Hazel Bulifant of St. Marks; Mrs. Mary Freeman of Jubilee Inn, Shreveport; Miss Ella Hooper of MacDonald School. Two little girls from the school, "Mary and Martha" sang a duet and Mrs. Bergeron, a graduate of MacDonald, now serving as a zone leader was introduced. (See Minutes for Reports of Mission Fields.)

The presentation of the World Outlook Cup was made to the Tullos Auxiliary by Mrs. Tinsley. This Society's record showed that 75 per cent of the families of the Tullos Church were subscribers to the World Outlook.

Time had arrived for the Report of the 1939 Missionary Council which was held in Asheville, N. C., late in March. This was given ably by Mrs. Ledbetter, Conference Secretary. She said, "This was the unification session of the Council." She told of the messages of Mrs. English, Bishop Flint, Dr. Cunningham, Bishop Arthur Moore, Mrs. Lipscomb, Rabbi Julius Mark, Dr. Straughn of the Madras Conference, reports of the Scarritt night program, and of the Consecration Service of Deaconesses and Missionaries. (See Council Echoes.)

Mrs. C. I. Jones was called to the platform and told of the invitation issued to the Council to hold their 1940 meeting in New Orleans, and of its acceptance.

After a number of courtesies extended and introductions made, Rev. Louis Hoffpauir pronounced the benediction.

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Wednesday Afternoon Session

After a delicious luncheon served by the women of the Presbyterian Church, the afternoon session was opened by the singing of the hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name." The worship service was led by Deaconess Verna Webster who built the message around the thought, "Hailing the Power."

A Recognition Service for Life Members was conducted by Mrs. W. H. Martin. The district secretaries called the names of those who had been made life members during 1938 and all of those who were present were seated in the choir loft, each wearing a beautiful red rose.

A number of surprise life memberships were presented at this time, which were as follows:

Mrs. W. W. Williams by the Elizabeth Auxiliary.

Mrs. G. J. Tinsley by Lafayette Auxiliary.

Mrs. A. S. Hill by the Lake Providence Auxiliary.

Mrs. J. M. Eicher by the Children of the Baton Rouge District.

Mrs. W. T. Cunningham and Mrs. H. B. Wren were introduced as honorary life members and Mrs. Lipscomb was introduced as an honorary life **patron** and was presented with an orchid corsage.

Rev. G. W. Dameron, Conference Educational Secretary, spoke of the Pastors' School to be held at Centenary College, June 12th-16th, and told of a number of courses to be taught and stressed the one, "The World Community" to be taught by Mrs. Lipscomb. The Report of the Committee on minutes stated the Minutes had been read and found correct and were adopted.

Mrs. D. C. Metcalf, Superintendent of Christian Social Relations made the annual report for the department. She stated that "the reports received from the Auxiliary Superintendents show that the interest in the work has deepened and the outreach of the social endeavor has widened." (See Minutes for report.)

Mrs. W. E. Fine, Chairman of Rural Committee, reported along this phase of the C. S. R. program. The two Deaconesses doing rural work, Miss Sheila Nuttall and Miss Margaret Infinger were introduced.

The recommendations of the Committee on Christian Social Relations were read, discussed and adopted. (See Minutes). The President appointed the following on a Conference Rural Committee: Mrs. D. C. Metcalf, Mrs. W. E. Fine and Mrs. W. C. McDonald.

A resolution concerning the establishment of a Training School for delinquent negro youth was read, discussed and adopted. (See Minutes).

The report of Young Women's Groups was presented by Mrs. H. J. Powers, who said, "that in every department of our work there is a place for young women. (See Minutes for Report).

Mrs. C. I. Jones, reporting the work of the Supply Department, stressed particularly the raising of the funds for a new St. Marks car. She stated that this was the first time money had been sent through this department for Foreign Specials. The total amount of supplies for 1938 was $4,824.00. (See Minutes).

Recommendations of Committee on Extension of Work were read, discussed, adopted. (See Minutes).

Recommendations of Committee on Supplies were read, discussed and adopted. (See Minutes).

The afternoon session was dismissed with the benediction by Dr. R. H. Harper.

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Wednesday Night Session

The President presiding, the last evening session opened with the hymn, "God of Grace and God of Glory." A period of Worship was conducted by Miss Julia Lovin who read from the fifth chapter of Ephesians. Prayer by Miss Lovin. The anthem, "A Springtime Gloria" was sung by the First Church Choir. The address of the evening was delivered by Miss Grace Gatewood, who had recently returned from an extensive trip through Palestine and Egypt. Her address, "What Next in the Holy Land" was illustrated with picture slides. The closing hymn was, "Faith of Our Father" and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. H. L. Johns, Pastor Host.

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Thursday Morning Session

The period of meditation and worship was led by Mrs. Mary Freeman. After a scripture reading from Isaiah, she based her message on the thought, "For we are all one in Christ Jesus."

The Annual Memorial Service was led by Mrs. J. B. Pollard, who was assisted by Mrs. Ledbetter, Mrs. R. E. Smith and the District Secretaries. Mrs. Pollard gave scripture readings from I Corinthians and the Gospel of John and used for the subject of her meditation, "Life Everlasting." Two young women dressed in white, bearers of baskets filled with white larkspur, stood at attention as the District Secretaries read the names of those who had passed from death unto life. A vocal solo, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought" was sung.

The report of the Bible and Mission Study Department was given by Mrs. G. W. Dameron. She reported that over 500 women had attended the training classes held throughout the State. (See Minutes for Report).

Council certificates were presented to auxiliaries meeting council requirements by Mrs. Dameron.

Mrs. G. J. Tinsley, Superintendent of Literature and Publicity, made the annual report for this department. In speaking of the literature, she said, "Much time and care is given to the preparation of this literature and each month as I place the materials in the envelopes, my earnest prayer is that it may reach the proper destination and be used as planned for." (See Minutes.)

Mrs. Tinsley introduced Mrs. W. T. Cunningham who spoke in the interest of the Louisiana News. She stated that she and Mrs. Hyams had tried to resign, but as usual, Mrs. Sexton had won out and that they would continue to edit Louisiana News for another year.

Recommendations from the Committee on Education were read, discussed and adopted. (See Minutes.)

The Minutes of the Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday night meetings of the executive committee were read by the Secretary and adopted.

A splendid talk on "The Youth's Crusade" was given by Rev. Bill Bird, who urged the cooperation of the women of the church in this youth movement.

The annual report of the Superintendent of Children's Work was made by Mrs. J. M. Eicher, who told of the study of "The Indians" by the children and of the many projects that followed the study. (See Minutes).

The recommendations of the Committee on Children's Work were read, discussed, and adopted.

The work of the Spiritual Life Department was given by Mrs. R. E. Smith. She compared the work of the Spiritual Life Group of Women determined to capture a lost radiance in Christian experience, to the parable of the Lost Coin. (See Minutes for Report).

In closing her report, Mrs. Smith presented a ribbon bearing hundreds of names of Louisiana women who had signed the evangelism pledge and stretched it all the way around the altar of the Church. The recommendations of the Committee on Spiritual Life were read, discussed and adopted.

Under the heading, "Lifting High the Torch." Deaconesses Sheila Nuttall and Margaret Infinger and Verna Webster made their reports.

Miss Nuttall told of her year's work in the rural sections of the Monroe District. Miss Infinger told of a new work opened at Hodge and Miss Webster told of a busy year at an "Industrial Church" at Cedar Grove.

In the Pledge Service conducted by Mrs. Carver the following Louisiana girls now serving as missionaries in foreign lands and supported by the Louisiana conference were represented by the following: China—Miss Ava Morton by Mrs. Glenn Laskey; Japan—Miss Anna Bell Williams by Mrs. Clarence Shaffer; Korea—Miss Patricia McHugh by Mrs. J. C. Whittaker; Cuba—Miss Clara Chalmers by Mrs. J. V. Bennett.

Mrs. Carver called the roll of districts and the following pledges for 1939 were made by the District Secretaries: Alexandria District, $3,250.00; Baton Rouge, $3,400.00; Lake Charles, $3,050.00; Monroe, $4,150.00; New Orleans, $4,100.00; Ruston, $4,250.00; and Shreveport, $7,800.00. Mrs. Carver announced the total pledge, $30,000.00.

Mrs. Gillman McConnell, Chairman of Scarritt Associates Committee, in giving her report for the year said, "The Union of Method-

ism will multiply avenues of service for Scarritt College—this college is the very heart of our woman's work. What are we going to do about it?" (See Minutes.)

The following Scarritt graduates were called to the platform and introduced as products of this college: Misses Infinger, Webster, Nuttall, Gatewood, Bulifant, Lovin and Hooper, and Mrs. Freeman.

Committee on By-Laws submitted an amendment to By-Laws, No. 16, which was discussed and adopted. (See Minutes).

A vocal solo, "The Lord is My Light" was sung by Mrs. Earl Stumph.

The reports of Committees on Status of Women, Candidate, Finance and Visiting Institutions were sent to the record without being read. (See Minutes).

An invitation for the 1940 meeting of the Conference was extended by Mrs. H. B. Wren from Noel Memorial Auxiliary. On motion of Mrs. Ledbetter the invitation was accepted.

The committee on Minutes reported that the Minutes had been read and found correct. The report was adopted.

Mrs. Guy Hicks read the report of Committee on Resolutions which was unanimously adopted. (See Minutes).

Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb brought the closing meditation, using for her subject, "The Light of the World" and centered her message around the verse, "I am the light of the world. He that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness but have the light of life."

The twenty-ninth annual session of the Louisiana Conference was closed with prayer by Mrs. Lipscomb.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary

MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT

We are glad to come to Lake Charles for this, the twenty-ninth Annual Conference since the union of Home and Foreign Work. Gratefully we remember the part you have played in Louisiana Methodism. We give thanks for your three missionary daughters who are serving today under the Council—Dorothy Weber in Georgia, Julia Reid in Florida, and Marjorie Haggart in Mississippi. Plans to have them back for this meeting failed because their **adopted** Conferences needed them too much! Each one sends greetings to the Conference and to the Lake Charles District especially.

In choosing the theme "The Lighted World" for our program this year, we are not unmindful of world conditions. Fires of hate and flash of bullet and bomb seem the dominant light of many na-

tions. Darkness of hunger, disease, ignorance, crime, and war still covers the earth. Yet we dare to speak of a "Lighted World"! There is a song of India, quoted by Mrs. RubyManakim at Council this year, which runs

"From darkness, lead me to light;
From ignorance, lead me to reality;
From death, lead me to immortality."

This is the theme of our missionary work. For the Light which came from Calvary still "shineth in darkness." Vision and **power** and **faith** belong to those who labor for the Kingdom.

One great evidence of that Light today is the developing **world** church. Christianity has encircled the globe, and in spite of persecution and imperialism, counts its members in every nation under the sun. Christian forces are girding themselves for a **united** advance. As we concentrate on fundamental principles, denominational differences break down. The struggle is too fierce today for division and competition among believers.

Since our last meeting, two great Christian World Conferences have been held. At the Conference of Utrecht last May a constitution was framed for a World Council of Churches, and in December representatives of sixty-nine nations attended the International Missionary Council at Madras, India, to plan for the ongoing of our faith. Other national, international, and ecumenical movements give assurance that Christian forces are uniting against the "gates of hell."

Here in the homeland, Methodists are leading out with the union of their three great branches. The new Methodist Church with approximately eight million members, constituting the largest Protestant body in the world, may have been raised up for this hour. Each of the Methodisms will make some distinctive contribution to the united church. Policies and plans vary widely, but the underlying purpose is one. We have the same background, history, and beliefs. Surely a constitution can be worked out to promote and administer the various interests of the church without losing fundamental values. Delegates to the Uniting Conference face heavy responsibilities and will need your earnest prayers. Regardless of their labor, true union will come only through the efforts of the people called Methodists. To quote Dr. Straughn of the Protestant Church "Unification will be made with the **disposition** and **attitudes** of the people, not with papers on disciplines or laws." Let us remember, with Mrs. Perry that old loyalties are not dissolved in a moment, but higher loyalties **can** be formed as we come into wider relationships and broader spheres of service.

Diffusion of light is further evidenced by Youth Groups in various countries. The World Christian Youth Movement challenges young people to sacrificial and courageous living. They are more daring than their elders in applying the principles of the Sermon on the Mount.

"In all these things, God calls.
He needs young hearts, young minds,
young hands
To fashion out the world that is to be.
Who hears?"

Our own Youth Crusade is one aspect of the wider movement and the responsiveness of young people throughout the South has been thrilling.

The last two of the six objectives, "Specific preparation for the enlarging tasks of the church" and "Participation in the world mission of the Christian Religion" have peculiar significance to missionary women. They will undoubtedly stir interest in full time service. Dr. W. A. Smart in commenting on these objectives says "The call of the ministry and of other full time religious work should be increasingly attractive to intelligent and consecrated young people." Those of us who realize the urgent need on the mission field and are vitally interested in recruits must be on the lookout for these fine young people. **Service** jobs are not overcrowded, and returns, though often intangible, are satisfying and real.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Southern Church celebrated this year its 60th birthday. For the first time in years we had a Louisiana girl ready for foreign service, so Patricia McHugh was sent to Korea as our birthday gift to the Orient. We undertook her support on faith and appealed to the societies for birthday offerings over and above the regular pledge. How gloriously you responded, not only to that call, but to the whole program! Our Council pledge was overpaid three thousand dollars, making Louisiana rank second among the thirty-nine Conferences in per capita giving. Life Memberships, so ably promoted by Mrs. Martin, the District Secretaries, and the Louisiana News, played a large part in this increase.

The work has gone forward in almost every department. It would be inspiring to know how many hours of prayer, study, thought and labor have made possible the reports at this meeting. The devotion and voluntary service of our women is a constant source of amazement and joy .

Repairs and additional dormitory space at MacDonell School constituted one of the objects for the Week of Prayer last fall. Our share of the gifts amounts to about fifteen thousand dollars. We

are planning to use that, supplemented by the laundry money raised in the Conference, to build a new dining hall, kitchen, and laundry, with dormitory above. To accomplish this, additional gifts will have to be secured, but the new building will meet a long felt need.

St. Mark's Community Center in New Orleans continues to reach an entire section with its constructive program. Their six year old car could no longer give service, so the Supply Department, under the leadership of Mrs. Jones, is raising money for a new one. There is still time for your society to have a share as several hundred dollars is needed.

Many of our Conference leaders had opportunity last year for special study. Mrs. Dameron spent six weeks at Scarritt College, several of the District Secretaries attended the Leadership School at Junaluska, and both Conference and local officers took advantage of the splendid courses offered at the Conference for Christian Workers at Centenary. Well trained leadership is essential and certainly justifies the expense entailed.

Realizing the influence a student counselor could have with the hundreds of Methodist girls at the Normal in Natchitoches, we have again asked for a Deaconess to be appointed there.

I cannot close this message without stressing again the great need for missionary candidates for both home and foreign work. At least twelve were requested and only three consecrated at Council for foreign fields. Africa pleads for help; Brazil has unlimited opportunities; Cuba is initiating an extensive rural program; rehabilitation work in war torn China demands nurses, teachers, and rural workers. Our property in China has just been released by the Japanese and missionaries have been reappointed to the Shanghai area, but where are the workers for the great western movement? Fifteen millions are destitute, needing help and comfort. "Whom shall I send and who will go for us?"

The new day in the church and in missions draws an issue. **Are** we Christian? Are we willing to burn ourselves out, in order to spread Light? Bishop Flint says "Civilization today is paging Christianity, calling Methodism." Can we answer **"Here"?**

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR.

THE VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A Vice President, according to the By-Laws shall promote the interests of the Conference. I count myself most happy to have had this privilege of having even a small part in building the kingdom. I know of no better way in which I could have invested these years and I thank our Father for the privilege. I feel that the work has done more for me than I have contributed to it—friendships along the

way, opportunities for service, and the opening of my heart and soul to a new life of understanding of God and of His human family. The work of the missionary society is the most worth while thing in all the world to me.

I stand ready at all times to serve you in any way that I am able; it has been my happy privilege to attend District and Zone meetings, to assist with coaching and Officers' Training Days. I also had the pleasure of attending several "Birthday" celebrations. I have responded to most of the calls that have come to me and have been prompt with my correspondence.

I have the happiest job in the conference—that of promoting life memberships, and keeping the record. Each year there has been a steady gain in number of life members. When the conference met here in 1930, there were only thirty-six names on the roll; now we have 801 names in our roll book—4 Honorary, 373 Adults, 409 Babies, 14 Juniors, 3 Young People—not a bad gain for nine years. We are happy to report the longest roll for 1938 that we have ever had—174; 2 Honorary Life Members, 68 Adults, 1 Junior, 103 Babies. While your Vice President may have had but a small part in it, the long list of life members is the result of the earnest efforts of the District Secretaries, Zone Leaders and loyal women of this Conference, who by this means have honored loved ones with this tribute of love and appreciation, and thereby contributed to the ongoing of God's Kingdom.

In 1928 our conference led the council in per capita gifts. During the depression we lost our place, but for the last five years there has been a very perceptible gain each year, until now our conference ranks second in per capita gifts.

We may have grown in the habit of thinking of the kingdom of God as a strictly missionary movement raising money to spread the gospel in foreign countries and among the unchurched peoples of our own land. And indeed it does require this of us, but it requires something more which is of great importance; the Kingdom of God is where ever God rules, whether it be in the heart of an individual, the policy of an institution, or the government of a people. Jesus teaches that the law of the kingdom is growth of his kingdom in our own lives. All groups are composed of individuals, so the growth must first take place in the individual. May we grow spiritually so that we may lift up our Christ knowing that He alone can meet the needs of the world. The challenge of Christianity is ever to unresting advance and enlargement. Tomorrow must be fuller and in advance of today. Visions and projects of today must unfold into higher achievements and ambitions tomorrow.

Let us this year through all the means that God has given us

seek to walk with Christ in high living and work with Him in loving service. We are workers together with One "whom having not seen, we love."

"God let me be aware,
Stab my soul fiercely with another's pain,
Let me walk seeing on His brow a stain,
Let my hand groping find on it His hand,
Standing, give me courage, that wounded I fight,
Flood me with knowledge, drench me with light,
Please God keep me eager
Just to do my share
God, let me be aware."

MRS. W. H. MARTIN.

DEPARTMENT OF ORGANIZATION

Report of Conference Secretary

A resume of the record for 1938 recalls these words from Mrs. Perry's annual message: "We look back to give thanks—we look forward to take courage."

It has been a year of fine achievement with normal progress in every department. The consistent effort made to cooperate with the Woman's Missionary Council in promotional and educational plans, has resulted in a constructive program which has interpreted Council policies to our women and acquainted them with the great missionary issues and motivation.

New depths of spiritual growth, increases in members and offerings are encouraging evidence that this loyal missionary group means to move forward and possess the spiritual land of promise.

Assured that no labor built on faith is lost, they claim His promise, "I will give thee the heathen for thine inheritance and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession."

The program of the Woman's Missionary Society is so correlated, it would be difficult not to infringe upon some other department in making a detailed report.

FINANCES: For the first time since 1932, every district overpaid its pledge on the following percentage basis:

ALEXANDRIA	pledge	$3200.00	—overpaid 7%
BATON ROUGE	pledge	$3200.00	—overpaid 14%
LAKE CHARLES	pledge	$3000.00	—overpaid 2 1/3%
MONROE	pledge	$4150.00	—overpaid 4 3/4%
NEW ORLEANS	pledge	$3700.00	—overpaid 30%
RUSTON	pledge	$4150.00	—overpaid 12 1/2%
SHREVEPORT	pledge	$7600.00	—overpaid 3 5/7%

Because of this very fine response to the appeal for increased gifts, the Conference paid to the Council $30,638.23. Of this amount $671.98 was credited to the Baby Division and $637.50 was received from the fourth Sunday collection. The total increase over 1937 was $3,378.21, which represented our sixtieth anniversary gift to Council. Grateful acknowledgement is made to the consecrated and devoted missionary women in our auxiliaries, whose gifts, large or small, have made it possible to reach these financial goals.

COUNCIL INSTITUTIONS: You will be interested to know that each of our Council Institutions, St. Mark's Community Center, MacDonell French Mission School and Jubilee Inn, received "Honorable Mention" in the report of the Administrative Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Downs. Nor were the other types of deaconess work in our Conference overlooked in her report.

We join with her in the deserved tribute to the fine workers in these various fields of service, each of whom has made a place for herself in the hearts of the people she serves.

HOUMA SCHOLARSHIPS: With increased facilities provided by the Week of Prayer funds, the MacDonell School at Houma will be equipped, when the new building is finished, to admit more pupils than ever before in its history.

This means a greater need for scholarship and supply money and we turn hopefully to the interested and generous friends of the school, to give out of their abundance, that the children of the different nationality groups in this section of our state may have the guidance and influence of Christian teachers, wise counselors and understanding friends.

SCARRITT MAINTENANCE: We are urging that every auxiliary in our Conference make this a goal for 1939. When Methodist

Union is consummated, Scarritt will be directly related to the united church from Maine to California and to a larger number of mission fields around the world. This means that extraordinary opportunities will be open to Scarritt College in the immediate future.

Surely our Conference will want to assume its full measure of responsibility in helping to maintain this institution of our church, so imperishably related to the Woman's Work.

WEEK OF PRAYER: The Louisiana Conference shared generously in the distribution of Week of Prayer funds, receiving one half of the amount directed to the Home Department for the MacDonell French Mission School. The offering for the Foreign Department was directed to reconstruction work in China. Both causes made a strong appeal to our women, with gifts amounting to $2,206.28, an increase of $1319.00 over 1937.

ZONE MEETINGS: The quarterly reports of Zone meetings held in every district, indicate a growing interest in the program of Woman's Work in the church. These meetings are seasons of real fellowship and offer opportunities for leadership training that help many women to find a place of service in the church.

To the District Secretaries and Zone Leaders, to all who stand in places of leadership, and to the rank and file, who remain steadfast and loyal, we express our deep and abiding appreciation in the words of St. Paul to the Church at Philippi: "I thank my God at my every remembrance of you. . . . For of this I am confident, that He who has begun a good work within you, will go on to perfect it in preparation for the Day of Jesus Christ."

MRS. WILTZ LEDBETTER,
Corresponding Secretary.

STATISTICAL REPORT FROM CONFERENCE FOR 1398

DISTRICTS	Number of auxiliaries	Number of new auxiliaries	Total members in auxiliaries including young women and new members	Number of new members	Number of young women's circles	Number of young women in circles	Number of societies promoting Baby Specials	Number of subcribers to World Outlook	Number of active spiritual life groups	Number of Mission study classes	Number of members in Mission study classes	Number of Bible study classes	Number of members in Bible study classes	Number of auxiliaries having Christian Social Relations committees	Number of auxiliaries observing week of prayer	Number of auxiliaries achieving efficiency aim	Number of Life Members	Number of Home or Foreign Specials
Alexandria	32	1	817	101	1	23	14	191	13	28	327	30	223	22	23	4	28	9
Baton Rouge	32	1	942	124	1	12	5	240	20	28	233	32	268	21	23	3	26	4
Lake Charles	29	1	969	163	5	103	7	188	13	34	453	15	269	20	23	4	21	4
Monroe	34	2	1146	145	14	113	14	229	20	27	628	26	634	28	27	26	18	3
New Orleans	27	3	1029	93	6	79	4	224	16	27	558	21	521	19	26		12	13
Ruston	40	4	1090	65	7	147	11	240	8	21	315	22	364	11	34	7	25	3
Shreveport	40	4	1161	211	7	120	11	356	16	24	520	20	500	20	32	9	41	15

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1938

DISTRICTS	Freewill Offering	District and Zone Offerings	Life Memberships	Home and Foreign Scholarships	Bible Women	Week of Prayer	Total sent to Conference Treasurer	Supplies	Scarritt Maintenance	Houma Day Offerings	Amount spent on local work	Per capita gifts
Alexandria	$1,707.89	$ 59.23	$ 360.00	$ 831.42	$ 120.00	$155.03	$3,423.71	$ 315.17	$ 112.75	$ 27.37	$2,253.08	$4.19
Baton Rouge	2,110.17	70.72	350.00	588.99		275.79	3,647.22	396.30	113.20	22.68	2,254.89	3.87
Lake Charles	1,763.88	41.96	285.00	584.35		242.24	3,072.14	419.03	56.75	12.90	2,459.60	3.17
Monroe	3,203.96	102.21	210.00	362.41		307.12	4,347.88	493.94	99.99	8.00	5,638.01	3.73
New Orleans	2,600.80	58.79	205.00	786.98	245.00	458.84	4,825.50	900.95	65.00	42.65	4,209.01	4.78
Ruston	3,380.11	52.29	290.00	375.00		430.51	4,671.04	657.16	99.50	36.46	2,968.80	4.16
Shreveport	5,193.14	67.85	605.00	868.96	360.00	319.02	7,878.59	468.50	136.00	26.39	6,067.67	7.65

ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST FROM THE 1398 REPORT OF DISTRICT SECRETARIES

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

To have fellowship with a fine corps of Zone Leaders, a noble Spiritual Life leader, auxiliary officers and members such as we have in Alexandria District means a great deal to a district secretary.

It is indeed heartening, too, to recognize that goals are being attained. The high peaks reached by our district was the large attendance and fine spirit manifested in our two Spiritual Life Retreats, the increase in Life Members, one an honorary life member for our Mrs. W. T. Cunningham, and the gifts for Scholarships at Houma.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

MRS. H. V. DUNFORD

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

District meeting was held at Hammond in May with Miss Mary Barnwell as guest speaker.

The Annual Retreat at Bluff Creek in August.

Study Leaders' meeting at First Church, Baton Rouge, in September with Mrs. William Ledbetter, Mrs. D. C. Metcalf and Mrs. G. W. Dameron as guest speakers.

Officers' Institute at First Church, Baton Rouge, in December.

A happy year of work with earnest Christian women has shown some increase but for 1939 we want, with increased faith, to attempt greater things.

MRS. S. J. FAIRCHILD

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

District meeting was held in Leesville in May, Study Leaders' meeting in Lafayette in September, and Officers' Institute in Crowley, De Ridder and Lake Charles in December.

Our work has been enriched by a deeper spiritual experience which has resulted in more effective work in practically every department. We are particularly proud of the increase in the number observing the Week of Prayer, the number of Life Members, the number of World Outlook subscriptions and the number attaining the efficiency aim.

It has been a privilege serving as secretary, and I am indeed grateful for our group of loyal missionary women and our very efficient zone leaders.

MRS. J. J. DAVIDSON, JR.

MONROE DISTRICT

There is no joy greater than having the privilege of working with the splendid Christian womanhood in our Missionary Societies.

During this year we have held the regular twelve zone meetings, one district-wide meeting, one meeting for all officers, and one for all study leaders, besides four quarterly meetings with zone leaders to plan programs.

We are trying to incorporate all phases of the work but with especial emphasis on building spiritual life groups, believing that with time for prayer and meditations the various departments will be greatly benefitted.

We are proud to add two new societies, one at Baskin, Louisiana and one at Bartholomew, a church of a hundred years standing, now with its first missionary society.

No one can estimate the continuing influence of the work of our beloved deaconess, Miss Shiela Nuttall, whose services of love and inspiration will continue to live through eternity.

MRS. E. C. GIBSON

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

District meeting, Coaching Day, Officers' Training Day and Zone meetings have been splendidly attended and have meant much in fellowship, inspiration and information.

We have advanced along most all lines, having an increase in Spiritual Life Groups, Mission and Bible Study classes, some advancement in C.S.R., marked improvement in support of Foreign Specials, Houma Scholarships, Week of Prayer Offerings and Supplies. The New Orleans District is to be commended for over paying it's pledge 30 per cent.

More words cannot express the sincere appreciation of the splendid work done by our women in Kingdom building tasks.

MRS. J. H. THATCHER

RUSTON DISTRICT

The cooperation of the fine women of Ruston District has led us to a Higher Road for Kingdom building. In 1938 we gained 65 new members. Our per capita giving was $4.16. We are glad to count two new auxiliaries, Bear Creek and Birds Chapel and the reorganization of Quitman society.

We held our district meeting in Arcadia, and our Coaching Day for officers in Ruston, with a large and enthusiastic attendance. We over paid our conference goal by 12½ per cent.

Our prayer is for an increased Faith and Guidance in our unifying program.

MRS. GUY KINNEBREW

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

The Shreveport District has 40 Auxiliaries with a membership of one thousand one hundred sixty one women. We are especially proud and grateful for our 41 Life Memberships this past year. There was a marked increase in interest and in preparation of leaders in the Mission Study classes this year. The district celebrated the Sixtieth Anniversary by a substantial increase in new members, offerings and fine special programs. As always the Shreveport District maintains a high percentage of Per Capita giving. Each of the Zones have had their regular meetings which have been most inspirational. Nine of the auxiliaries achieved the efficiency aim in 1938. There is an ever increasing feeling for the need of personal spiritual cultivation as is to be found in the Spiritual Life groups and consequently there are many active groups in the district.

May we remember that love renders our service acceptable, and pray that the flame of love be kept bright in our hearts.

MRS. IRA CAMPBELL

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE ON EXTENSION OF WORK

The Committee recommends:

1. In view of the discrepancy between the membership reported and the financial increases, and in order to secure accurate reports of memberships:

(a) That more definite responsibility for securing members who give prayer, service, and an **offering** to **missions,** be laid upon the auxiliary president and the finance committee.

(b) That each member be urged to use the pledge card and that the membership offerings be paid monthly.

(c) That conference officers continue to emphasize an increase in per capita giving.

2. That we magnify the quarterly Executive Committee meeting with the definite objectives of securing accurate and uniform reports and checking the Efficiency Aim.

3. That a meeting of the Executive Committee with the district secretaries be held at the close of the annual conference, or as soon thereafter as practicable, for the purpose of formulating uniform plans and objectives for district and zone meetings; fixing, as far as possible, dates and places for meetings.

4. That Zone Leaders be encouraged to take advantage of the provisions voted by the Executive Committee for attendance at the Conference for Christian Workers to be held at Centenary College, Shreveport, June 12-16.

5. That Conference cooperate with Council in sending two outstanding young women leaders (to be selected by the Executive Committee) and the Conference Treasurer to the Missionary Conference at Mount Sequoyah, July 18-25 or Lake Junaluska, August 1-8.

6. That renewed emphasis be placed on Baby Specials in anticipation of enlarged opportunities in the new church.

7. (a) That we make special effort to enlist every young woman in our church for membership in the Missionary Society.

(b) That we continue the policy of transferring young women's groups which have used one years' special programs, "Weaving Friendships Around the World" from the conference secretary of young women's groups, to conference and district officers for continued cultivation and fuller participation in the Women's Missionary Society activities.

8. That auxiliaries supply business and professional women's groups with regular program material and provide every possible means for their cultivation and full participation in Woman's Missionary Society activities.

MRS. J. H. THATCHER, Chairman
MRS. IRA CAMPBELL, Secretary

INCREASING EFFICIENCY

The Woman's Missionary Council has adopted a program of work called the "Efficiency Aim" by which a Woman's Missionary Society may judge of its efficiency in carrying out the purpose of the organization. The corresponding secretary of each society should report to the district secretary the progress made each quarter in attaining the twelve items. Then, at the close of the year, she should send the "Efficiency Aim" card checked with her yearly report to the district secretary.

EFFICIENCY AIM

Each Society Should Strive to Attain Every Item

1. Twelve monthly meetings with well planned yearbook programs. (January a pledge meeting.)
2. Net increase in membership. (Enlistment of Young Women included.)
3. An increase per capita in connectional funds.
4. Week of Prayer observed as planned by Council.
5. A Bible study class as planned by Council.
6. Two mission study classes.
7. Net increase in **World Outlook** subscriptions.

8. Promotion of Co-operative Plan for missionary education of children by Secretary of Children's Work.
9. Cultivation of parents and friends of babies by Superintendent of Baby Specials.
10. Christian Social Relations Committee and activities.
11. Gifts sent to Council institutions or to missionaries for use in their work or to ministers recommended by presiding elders, and all such gifts reported to the Conference Superintendent of Supplies.
12. Quarterly Executive Committee meeting and all reports sent conference officers and district secretary by first day of quarter.

DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLIES

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SUPPLIES, 1938

St. Mark's Community Center

Quarter	cash	box value	Total
1st.	$ 88.29	$ 49.00	$ 137.29
2d.	183.05	101.50	284.55
3d.	256.35	239.50	453.34
4th.	119.02	196.65	315.67
	$ 646.71	$ 596.65	$1243.36

MacDonell French Mission School

1st.	$ 437.00	$ 210.40	$ 647.40
2d.	348.39	291.70	640.09
3d.	244.59	208.75	453.34
4th.	669.81	350.45	1020.26
	1699.79	1061.30	2761.09
St. Mark's Total	$ 646.71	$ 596.65	$1243.36
MacDonell School Total	1699.79	1061.30	2761.09

Total gifts to Council Institutions.....$4004.45

Value of Gifts to Foreign Specials—

Chinese Relief:

1st.	$36.50	to Chinese Relief
2d.	5.00	to Margaret Williamson Hospital, Shanghai, China
3d.	5.00	to Margaret Williamson Hospital, Shanghai, China
4th.	10.00	to Margaret Williamson Hospital, Shanghai, China
Total		

$25.00 value of Typewriter sent to Korea

Value $56.50 $25.00 Foreign Specials $81.59

Value of Gifts to Ministers——			
1st.	$ 15.00	$ 60.27	$ 75.27
2d.	100.00	197.23	297.23
4th.	103.40	7.60	110.00
	$218.40	$265.10	$483.50
Biloxi	5.00		5.00
Total value of gifts to ministers			$488.50
Total Value of Gifts			$4574.45
Jubilee Inn Valuation of Supplies			325.00

MRS. C. I. JONES, Superintendent

DIRECTIONS FOR SUPPLIES, 1939

Houma

Alexandria—2nd, 4th quarters.
Baton Rouge—1st, 3rd, 4th.
Lake Charles—1st, 3rd.
Monroe—1st, 2nd.
New Orleans—2nd, 4th.
Ruston—1st, 3rd, 4th.
Shreveport—1st, 2nd, 4th.

St. Mark's

Alexandria—1st, 3rd.
Baton Rouge—2nd.
Lake Charles—2nd, 4th.
Monroe—3rd, 4th.
New Orleans—1st, 3rd.
Ruston—2nd.
Shreveport—3rd.

RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING SUPPLIES

1. That our goal for the year 1939 be: Each auxiliary having a direct personal share in the missionary work of the state, by contributing supplies to St. Marks Community Center in New Orleans, and to the MacDonnell French Mission School and Wesley House in Houma, and that all the auxiliaries be privileged to send supplies to Scarritt.
2. That auxiliaries within reasonable distance of Jubilee Inn, a cooperative home for business girls in Shreveport contribute food supplies to that institution.
3. That Conference Superintendent of Supplies send letters of instructions quarterly to the Auxiliaries giving needs of these institutions.

4. That cash donations be sent for St. Marks and MacDonnell School whenever possible.
5. That we continue as Foreign Specials through this department to furnish supplies to hospitals, farms, and schools in Africa; and to hospitals in China.
6. That we undertake to send additional funds for foreign refrigeration, especially for Cuba.
7. That all money for foreign supplies be sent through Conference Superintendent of Supplies.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

REPORT OF TREASURER WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY, 1938

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1938		$ 650.46
Receipts—		
Freewill Offering---Adults		19959.95
Freewill Offering—Babies		146.98
Life Members—Adults		1700.00
Life Members — Juniors		10.00
Life Members—Babies		515.00
Memorial Roll		5.00
Honorary Life Memberships		200.00
Scarritt Maintenance		683.19
Foreign Scholarships		120.00
Houma Scholarships		4305.11
Bible Women		700.00
Kindergarten Work		25.00
Week of Prayer		2206.78
Scarritt Scholarship		150.00
Houma Day Offering		178.10
Zone Collections		453.05
Collections at Annual and Districts Meetings		101.96
60th Birthday Collection		784.57
Refunds by Officers		31.19
For Supplies and Scarritt Memberships		27.85
Postage		.10
From Council for Junaluska		48.00
Disbursements—		
Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton	$30000.73	
Conference Officers Expense	1017.08	
District Secretaries Expense	476.24	
Guests at Annual Conference	101.07	
Printing Louisiana News	136.10	

Shiela Nuttall, Extra Expense and License..	56.97	
Cox-Garrison Ins. Agency—Ford Car.....	58.35	
Cox-Garrison Ins. Agency—		
Bond for Treasurer.....	25.00	
Audit Fee	25.00	
Literature Depository (Council Minutes)..	9.45	
Journal Printing.....	450.59	
Letter Service.....	1.65	
Begbee Florist.....	8.59	
Refunds, Supplies, Scarritt Mem., etc.....	27.85	
For Pastors School.....	29.00	
Bank Charges for Year.....	9.77	
Postage.....	.10	
	$32433.54	$33002.29
		32433.54
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1939.....		568.75
Building & Loan Matured Savings.....		201.77
Total amount on hand Jan. 1, 1939.....		770.52
Fourth Sunday Collections.....$	637.50	
Supplies Reported.....	1589.89	
Local Work Reported.....	18795.51	
City Missions Reported.....	1911.67	
Stock Certificate No. 463		
Builders & Loan.....	245.00	
Savings Account—Builders & Loan.....	14.70	

Respectfully submitted

By Conference Treasurer,

MRS. C. C. CARVER

REPORT OF AUDITOR

Lafayette, La.,
February 21, 1938.

Mrs. George Sexton, Jr.,
President Woman's Home
Missionary Society
Louisiana Conference,
Shreveport, La.
Dear Mrs. Sexton:

Complying with your request of February 9, 1939, I have made a detailed audit of the books and records of your Conference Treasurer, Mrs. C. C. Carver, of Rayne, La., for the period from January 15, 1938, to January 15, 1939. I find all receipts and disbursements

properly accounted for and the books and records in excellent condition.

I also find that your Treasurer is properly bonded in the sum of $10,000.00, by the Fidelity and Deposit Co., for one year. The premium on this bond is paid by your society.

Should there be any additional information you may desire, please communicate with me.

Assuring you that it has been a pleasure to serve your good Society, I am Very truly yours,

R. H. AGATE, Public Accountant.
Registered with the State Board of Certified Public Accountants under No. 127.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings. Isaiah 52:7.

For the Kingdom of Heaven is as a man traveling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods. Matthew 25:14.

As you study the report of your conference treasurer you will realize with deepest pride and thanksgiving that the Women of the Missionary Societies of Louisiana Conference have been faithful in their stewardship. You will rejoice in the over-payment of our pledge to Council, for does that not mean that we have been privileged to share in a larger way the work of our Missionaries? And do not each of us owe a personal debt to missions? It was, indeed, a long and weary road for the missionaries who traveled from the Cross outside Jerusalem's gate to our own ancestral home. What Christ has done for us he can do for all men.

The monetary figures presented in the report of our treasurer reveals that missionary spirit burns ardently in the hearts of Louisiana women. As we see our women stepping up into second place among all of the Conferences in per capita giving we are deeply conscious of a determination on their part, to give themselves through untiring service and sacrificial giving to this sacred business of kingdom building. The accumulated consecration and effort of Christian women is one of the world's most potential assets.

The Holy Supper is kept indeed,
In what so we share with another's need,
Not what we give, but what we share,
For the gift without the giver is bare;
Who gives himself with his alms feeds three—
Himself, his hungry neighbor, and Me.

MRS. F. W. RAGGIO, Chairman

RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING FINANCE

The Committee recommends:

1. That District secretaries and Zone leaders, at their meetings, present the wonderful opportunity that is ours through giving to missions.
2. That each auxiliary treasurer distribute as early in the fall as possible the envelopes for Week of Prayer offerings, that the members may give an accumulated offering rather than one day gifts.
3. That Houma Day be observed in each auxiliary, with inspirational programs, the offerings to apply on Houma scholarships.
4. That $4.00 per year be given by each auxiliary to the Scarritt Maintenance Fund.
5. That we continue to increase our missionary giving with Honorary, Adult and Baby Life Memberships and Memorial Funds.
6. That no money contributed for missionary purposes be used for local work.
7. That the Conference pledge to council be $28,000.00 and the Conference budget be $30,000.00.

COST OF DIRECTED PLEDGES

These Are All Minimum Amounts

Scholarships

Students in boarding schools in China, Japan, Korea, Brazil, Mexico, Cuba, per year	$ 40.00
Some in Cuba	50.00
Bible schools in Korea	50.00
Bible schools in Japan	120.00
Medical school in China	150.00
French Mission School, Houma, Louisiana	150.00
Virginia K. Johnston Home, Dallas, Texas, for Rescue Work, a girl's outfit for entrance	60.00
(Any amount will be welcomed on maintenance)	
Vashti School, Thomasville, Georgia, for dependent girls	200.00
Scarritt College, any course	300.00

Bible Women

In China, Japan, Korea, Brazil	$120.00 up
Other trained native workers	$120.00 to $750.00

Missionaries and Deaconesses

Foreign Missionaries	$900.00 to $1,000.00
Deaconesses and Home Missionaries	$900.00 up

SPECIALS SUPPORTED UNDER DIRECTED PLEDGES

BIBLE WOMEN

			Supported by
1—Nannie Battle	1899	City Work School, Soochow, China	First Church, Shreveport.
2—Dorothy Wilmot	1901	Changsu, China	Rayne Memorial Auxiliary.
3—Priscilla Bentley	1908	Alice Cobb Bible School, Wonsan, Korea	Carrolton Ave. Aux., New Orleans.
4—Hattie Haas	1912	Chul Won, Korea	Mrs. W. D. Haas, Alexandria.
5—Hester Thompson Smith	1925	Choon Chun Station, Korea	Noel Mem. Aux., Shreveport.
6—Sallie Sexton	1928	Native Teacher, Japan	Gleaners, First Church, Shreveport.

SCHOLARSHIPS—FOREIGN

1—Lee Dicks	1899	Holston Institute, Songdo, Korea	Monroe Auxiliary.
2—Belle O'Pry	1905	Roberts College, Saltillo, Mexico	Rayne Memorial Aux., New Orleans.
3—Anna Trosper	1913	Lucy Cuninggim School, Korea	Monroe Auxiliary.
4—Mary Keener	1919	Roberts College, Saltillo, Mexico,	First Church Auxiliary, New Orleans.

DEACONESSES AND MISSIONARIES

1—Missionary Anna B. Williams	1916	35 Nakayamate Dori, Kobe, Japan	First Church Auxiliary, Shreveport.
2—Deaconess Ella Hooper	1919	McDonnell Wesley House, Houma, La.	First Ch. Aux. S'port & La. Conf.
3—Missionary Clara Chalmers	1921	Colegio Irene Toland, Matanzas, Cuba	Louisiana Conference.
4—Deaconess Shella Nuttall	1927	Monroe District	Louisiana Conference.
5—Missionary Ava Morton	1931	China	Louisiana Conference.
6—Deaconess Mary Freeman	1928	Jubilee Inn, Shreveport	Sup. by Board City Missions, S'port.
7—Deaconess Mamie J. Chandler		Louisiana Normal, Natchitoches	Louisiana Conference.
8—Deaconess Margaret Infinger		Hodge	Louisiana Conference.
9—Missionary Patricia McHugh		Korea	Louisiana Conference.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP ROLL 1938

Any adult may become a life member of the Woman's Missionary Society by the payment of $25.00, an honorary life member by the payment of $100.00, an honorary life patron by the payment of $300.00. A child up to six years of age may be made a life member for $5.00, an older child on the payment of $10.00.

An adult's name may be placed on the Memorial Roll by the payment of $25.00 for this specific purpose—children the same as for life memberships.

A life membership provides a most effective channel for contributing to the great missionary enterprise, and might be the means of teaching the Christ way to some who have never had a chance. At the same time it is a beautiful and impressive way to express love and appreciation—it bestows in a significant manner honor upon one whom honor is due; it gives encouragement and an urge to carry on; it can bring spiritual blessings.

All money for life memberships or the memorial fund should be sent direct to the conference treasurer with the name, and she will order the pin and the certificate. Report the name and by whom given to your conference vice-president.

LIFE MEMBERS

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

Honorary

Mrs. W. T. Cunningham, by Alexandria District and Natchitoches.

Adults

Mrs. H. O. Baker, given by Rochelle Auxiliary; Mrs. R. C. Culpepper, by Alexandria Auxiliary; Mrs. A. B. Herndon, by Francis Medlock Circle, Alexandria Auxiliary; Mrs. R. J. Lytle, by Boyce Auxiliary; Mrs. Horace White, by Alexandria Auxiliary.

Junior

Barbara Ann Cappel by Gleaners, First Church, Alexandria.

Babies

Jo Ann Baron, by Mrs. C. E. Daniels; Bettye Jaenell Bremer, by Glenmora Auxiliary; Garriet Cain, by Pastors and Wives in Alexandria; Katherine Elaine Collins, by Natchitoches Auxiliary; Ruth LaVerne Cudd, by Zone 2; Betty June Coleman, by Tullos Auxiliary; Ancy Jo Cruse, Alexandria, by Jone 3; Jo Ann Gathright, by Zone 5; Bonnie Jean Harrell, by Winnfield Auxiliary; Mary Anne Hardie, by Pleasant Hill; Larry Hayden Mallory, by Tullos Auxiliary; Edward Moise, by Opelousas Auxiliary; Sara Beth Parker, by Circle 2, Winn-

field; J. W. Pollard by Palmetto Auxiliary; Beth Reid, by Circle 2, Winnfield; Thomas Stewart Rabb, by Tullos Auxiliary; Jeanne Mae Shaw, by Colfax Auxiliary; Peggie Marie Stewart, by Tullos Auxiliary; Edith Shaw, by Glenmora Auxiliary; Sara Thompson, by Tullos Auxiliary; Tommy Dave Tyson, by Tullos Auxiliary; Sandra Jean Tooke, by Zone 5; Doyne Williams, by Circle 1, Winnfield; Gay Andrews Welch, by Circle 4, Winnfield; Nancy Sue Wade, by parents and grandparents, Rochelle; Richard Home White, by Alexandria Auxiliary.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

Adults

Mrs. Laura M. Arthur, First Church, Baton Rouge; Mrs. J. P. Bonnecarre, by B. R. District; Mrs. Wilton Cox, by Istrouma Auxiliary; Mrs. E. F. Fleming, by First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; Mrs. A. A. Fridge, by First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; Mrs. F. M. Lovette, by Istrouma Auxiliary; Miss Lillie Hartwell, by Zone; Mrs. F. J. Mechlin, by First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; Mrs. J. M. Shannon, by First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; Mrs. Bessie Ussery, by First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; Miss Flora Watson, by First Church, Baton Rouge.

Babies

Anne Allen, by St. Francisville Auxiliary; Ollie Colleen Bolton, by First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; Elaine Golson, by Istrouma Auxiliary; Charles Henry Hadden, by New Hope Auxiliary; James Harris, by Jackson Auxiliary; Mary Johnson, by Leila Roberts' Circle, First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; James M. Johnson, by Jackson Auxiliary; Thomas Joseph Johnson, by First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; Dorothy Annette Matthews, by Clinton Auxiliary; Bobby Jean Meade, by Jackson Auxiliary; Mary M. Myers, by Leila Roberts Circle, First Church, Baton Rouge; Warren Taylor Price, by Ethel Auxiliary; Martha James Reed, by First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary; Margaret Ann Peabody, by Istrouma Auxiliary; Lynn B. Sherrill, by First Church, Baton Rouge Auxiliary.

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

Adults

Mrs. J. J. Davidson, Jr., by District; Mrs. W. L. Doss, Jr., by Lake Charles Auxiliary; Mrs. J. L. Farque, by Lake Charles Auxiliary; Mrs. Emily Hillebrandt, by Sulphur Auxiliary; Mrs. Eliza Hopkins, by Lafayette Auxiliary; Miss Bess Evans, by Leesville Auxiliary; Mrs. B. F. Koonce, by Mrs. W. F. Franklin, Anacoco; Mrs. T. R. Sartor, by DeRidder Auxiliary; Mrs. R. C. Webb, by Rayne Auxiliary.

Babies

Marcia Mary Freeman, by grandmother; Ella Ward Hixon, by grandparents; Bradford Hudson, by great grandparents; Frederica Louise McCain, by Lake Charles Auxiliary; Mary Marjorie Mustersbaugh, by Lake Charles Auxiliary; Jan Carolyn Mustersbaugh, by Lake Charles Auxiliary; Katherine Joan Phares, by Circle 2, Many; Julia Annelle Reid, by Lake Charles Auxiliary; Larry Dean Rothkamm, by Lake Charles Auxiliary; Clara Jo Swearengin, by De Ridder Auxiliary; Wilson David Sailor, by DeRidder Auxiliary; Roberta Lee Jackson, by mother, Many.

MONROE DISTRICT

Adults

Mrs. J. M. Alford, by Gordon Avenue Auxiliary; Mrs. C. W. Berry, Sr., by Zone; Mrs. T. D. Brown, by First Church, Monroe Auxiliary; Mrs. J. M. Munholland, First Church, Monroe Auxiliary; Mrs. Charles Myers, by West Monroe Auxiliary; Mrs. W. B. Warren, West Monroe, by her family.

Babies

Mary Murphy Berry, by grandmother; Tommy Ann Bivins, by West Monroe Auxiliary; Bess Burkett, by First Church, Monroe Auxiliary; Ann Jarrell, by First Church, Monroe Auxiliary; Laura Ruth Hunnicutt, by Gordon Avenue Auxiliary; Mary Jo Masingill, by Gordon Avenue Auxiliary; Alta Gwynne Garrison, by Tallulah Auxiliary; Jo Anne Lipp, by Oak Grove Auxiliary; Elizabeth Noble Ford, by Mrs. B. F. Hatch; Earnest Reid McNiell, by West Monroe Auxiliary; Margaret Jean Ohlsen, by St. Joseph Auxiliary; Jimmy Posey, by Oak Grove Auxiliary.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

Memorial Roll—Baby

Francis W. Belanger, Morgan City.

Adults

Mrs. K. I. Bean, by Bogalusa Auxiliary; Mrs. T. P. Bell, by First Church, New Orleans Auxiliary; Mrs. Gertrude C. Dreher, by Zone 4; Mrs. S. E. Castles, by husband and daughter; Mrs. A. J. Grievish, by Rayne Memorial Auxiliary; Mrs. J. B. Pollard, by District; Mrs. John Pearce, by Parker Memorial Auxiliary; Mrs. J. H. Thatcher, by Houma Auxiliary.

RUSTON DISTRICT

Adults

Mrs. Barma E. Baucum, by Haynesville Auxiliary; Mrs. Ed Conger, by Arcadia Auxiliary; Mrs. R. W. Collier, by Homer Auxil-

iary; Mrs. A. C. Dykes, by Farmerville Auxiliary; Mrs. Augusta Ann Hodges, by children and grandchildren, Cotton Valley; Mrs. G. E. Laskey, by Ruston Auxiliary; Mrs. Anzonetta Miller, by Haynesville Auxiliary; Mrs. Ella Scott, by Mrs. Frank Taylor; Mrs. G. W. Smith, by Haughton Auxiliary.

Babies

Dorothy Dell Barksdale, by Ruston Auxiliary; Ronald Clay Breihn, by Jonesboro Auxiliary; Donald Ray Breihn, by Jonesboro Auxiliary; Virginia Ruth Ballard, by Downsville Auxiliary; Lanette Collins, by Farmerville Auxiliary; Jehnell Farley, by Hico Auxiliary; John Batson Hester, Jr., by Downsville Auxiliary; Marilyn Brown, by Julia Reid Circle, Homer; Edna Winifred Lowe, by Minden Auxiliary; Harriet Michaud, by Hodge Auxiliary; Mary Ellen McVicker, by Julia Reid Circle, Homer; Linda Lee Mims, by Minden Auxiliary; Mollie Joe Mosley, by Minden Auxiliary; Margaret Ann Perritt, by Sibley Auxiliary; John Ansley Ritchie, by Ruston Auxiliary; Lucile Guess Stewart, by Quitman Auxiliary; Donna Sue Shively, by Jonesboro; Anna Sue Wicker, her mother's circle, Homer.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

Honorary Life Member

Mrs. H. B. Wren.

Adults

Mrs. Charles Ault, by Cedar Grove Auxiliary; Mrs. J. H. Brown, by Park Avenue Auxiliary; Mrs. Paul Brown, by Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Mrs. A. D. Cody, by Gilliam Auxiliary; Mrs. W. W. Drake, by Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Mrs. Vera Garrett, by Vivian Auxiliary; Mrs. C. F. Henderson, by Mangum Auxiliary; Mrs. John Foster, by Dr. John Foster; Mrs. Lula Lockett, by Coushatta Auxiliary; Mrs. R. O. Marks, by Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Mrs. W. G. Phelps, by Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Miss Fannie Purcell, by Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Mrs. E. E. Parker, by Benton Auxiliary; Mrs. L. J. Pitts, by Belcher Auxiliary; Mrs. S. L. Ray, by Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Mrs. O. C. Rush, by Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Mrs. W. W. Roberts, by Mangum Memorial Auxiliary; Mrs. C. H. Schaefer, by Gleaners, First Church; Mrs. Francis Shuttleworth, by Gleaners, First Church; Mrs. Martha Weaver, by First Church, Julia Reid Circle.

Babies

Leon J. Bain, Jr., by Mrs. J. F. Foster; Martha Ann Brandon, by Bashie English Circle, First Church; Richard Balcom Crowell, by grandmother; L. W. Curtis, Jr., by Baird Circle, First Church; Evelyn Campbell, by grandmother; Evelyn Marie Harper, by Cedar Grove; Katherine Hunt, by Gleaners, First Church; Roy Gene Jones, by

Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Ann Kilpatrick, by Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Guy Luno, Jr., by Plain Dealing Auxiliary; Beatrice McCallum, by Mangum Memorial Auxiliary; Carolyn McClanahan, by Noel Memorial Auxiliary; Larkin Keith Mason, Jr., by First Church Auxiliary; Elinor Moreland, by Mrs. H. B. Wren; Patsy Ann Miller, by Mansfield Auxiliary; Ennie M. Midyette, by Pelican Auxiliary; Florene Jane Pipes, by Park Avenue Auxiliary; Billy Ray Rochelle, by Gilliam Auxiliary; Suzanne Sloan, by Mrs. Van Carter; Aubrey Jean Temple, by Cedar Grove Auxiliary; Arthur Brice Turnley, by Plain Dealing.

REPORT OF YOUNG WOMEN'S CIRCLES

We should be proud indeed for the splendid work done by our young women the past year.

In summing up the reports of last year I find much encouragement. I find a greater number of young women are taking advantage of the big opportunities the missionary society offers for real service. I attended several meetings of various kind over the conference last year, and I could not help but notice the number of young women present. I also noticed with great pride that many presidents of auxiliaries were young women who just a few years ago began work in the young women's circles.

The Missionary Society is not a dull organization. It is full of activity. It offers an opportunity for the development and useful service of every woman, so why hesitate to ask the young women to join? Among our young women will be found varying gifts of leadership, which the society should utilize with gratitude. All are not leaders, but everyone may find a place of service.

The Missionary Society offers a place for various types of women. Should she be of a practical type, want to do things near at hand we have the Supply Department. Through this department great joy is found in providing help for others. Then we find the student type, they like to read, they like to learn things about the rest of the world. This type will enjoy the mission study classes.

We have young women who are of the creative type. There is a place for them too, as we use many posters in our work and often time a program will be more impressive if we have a beautiful poster drawn by some member to help bring out a special thought.

Then there is the world-citizen type. Everyone is interested in world-peace and there is so much to be done along this line. We have the social questions of various kind. All this is worked through our Christian Social Relations Department. Plenty is found in this department to demand all the time one has to give. Last but not least we have the Spiritual Life groups. The development of spiritual life is indeed important and has not been neglected, but has been

the means of clearing problems of doubt and conflict in the minds of many.

So you see whatever interest, whatever talent, or whatever need there is a place for young women in the missionary society. May we continue to encourage them to join us and help carry on the great work.

Last year I reported 48 circles for 1937. However, at the beginning of the year 1938 we only had 9 circles that could really be called young women circles. During the past year we had 21 circles to organize and I am now mailing literature to 30 circles.

Many of the auxiliaries did not elect a secretary of Young Women. Even if you do not have a young women's circle, you should have a secretary. "Her duty is to cultivate the young women of the church for membership in the Missionary Society, and to report the progress of her work monthly and quarterly to the society." I would appreciate it very much if you'd send me the name and address of your secretary of Young Women, in order that I may be able to keep in touch with your progress and report same to council officer.

May we continue the cultivation of young women. It pays in large dividends.

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF CHILDREN'S WORK

Two very interesting subjects claimed the attention of the children of our church who during the past year participated in the co-operative missionary units provided for them. The units on American Indians, prepared for use during March, 1938, brought forth an avalanche of gifts to Indian children, some of which went direct to groups near by, and others of which were sent to our Board of Missions office for distribution. Many of these gifts were sent to our Indian Mission at Dulac, La., bringing much joy and happiness to the large group of children who are reached through this school.

A happy group of seventy-eight children from the primary and junior departments of the First Methodist Church School of Alexandria enjoyed an all day visit and picnic, at the Penick Indian School near Jena, on Saturday, following the Study of the American Indian. The secretary reported that the visit was a great success and felt that a deeper appreciation of the Indians had been developed among the children as they played, sang, and dined together.

The second set of co-operative units for the year, which would normally have come in the fall of 1938, were postponed until January, 1939, because of the difficulty involved in securing material suitable for children on Brazil.

The unit on Brazil was reported by many as being the most en-

joyable and interesting unit we have studied. The children were impressed by the likenesses between the people of Brazil and the people of our own land, as well as developing an appreciation and understanding of the differences in customs and background. This unit definitely helped our children to realize the very real way in which all nations can be a family of God's Children if they take time to know one another and to share the best that they have with all the world, learning by experience what it means to "Love thy neighbor as thyself."

The Children's Workers are recognizing more and more the bigness of the work yet to be done, and are putting themselves hard to the task of making not only better numerical reports, but of improving the spirit and widening the influence of the Missionary Education of our children.

Number of Churches Reporting the Friendship Units During the Year, 1938, by Districts is as Follows:

	American Indian Unit		Brazil Unit	
Alexandria	10	10	15	15
Baton Rouge	13	14	13	14
Lake Charles	9	9	6	7
Monroe	8	8	9	8
New Orleans	8	7	8	8
Ruston	14	14	15	14
Shreveport	12	13	14	14
Total	74	75	80	80
No. Children attending	1289	1460	1406	1552
No. Churches having extra sessions	35	38	39	40

Council Treasurer reports Louisiana Children's Division paid in 1938 for Fourth Sunday Missionary Offering, $637.50.

MRS. J. M. EICHER, Secretary.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S WORK.

We, the committee recommend:

1. That if possible a teacher or officer of the primary or junior departments of the church school be elected as secretary of children's work in the auxiliary, and that because of the difficulty of promoting the co-operative plan, she be elected with the view of retaining office longer than one year.

2. That the secretary of children's work attend district meet-

ings and training schools, and all meetings of the children's workers in the local church.

3. That the Woman's Missionary Society request the pastor to appoint the secretary of children's work as one of the members at large of the Board of Christian Education, so that she may aid the regular representative of the Woman's Missionary Society on the Board in keeping the Board informed about the missionary units so that provision for their study may be made.

4. That the secretary of children's work use all means available to see that the fourth Sunday missionary offerings are properly channelled; that she encourage the church school workers to educate the children as to the purposes of this special fund; and that she keep her auxiliary informed as to the amount given through the fourth Sunday offerings by all divisions of the church school throughout the year.

5. That the secretary of children's work keep the missionary society informed as to what is happening in the children's division each quarter.

MRS. J. M. EICHER, Chairman.
MRS. CHRIS BARNETTE, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

INFORMATION ON CHILDREN'S WORK

Local Needs	
Report Blanks.	Mrs. J. M. Eicher 345 Cornell Ave., Baton Rouge, La.
World Friendship Bulletin for Secretary of Children's Work.	
Leaflets	
Co-operative Plan for Missionary Education in Children's Division Revised.	Mrs. J. M. Eicher 345 Cornell Ave., Baton Rouge, La.
What Is My Job?	
Missionary Units in the Children's Division.	
Subscription to	
Elementary Teacher — Single $1.00 year. Five or more, one address each, $0.90 year. To be furnished by local church.	Methodist Publishing House 810 Broadway Nashville, Tenn.
Missionary Units, Primary, Junior, $0.25 each. Order in September for Fall Unit. Picture Sheet for Unit, $0.15 each.	
Group Graded Lessons, Primary, Junior. Subscriptions to Boys and Girls.	
Vacation Church Schools	
Order from List sent out by General Board of Education. Prices vary.	
Magazines	Literature Headquarters Children's Division, W. M. S. 706 Church St. Nashville, Tenn.
Exhibits and other suggested materials for each unit—suggested in above units.	

REPORT OF CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT OF LITERATURE AND PUBLICITY

I do not feel that my responsibility as Superintendent of Literature and Publicity ends with the physical task of mailing out the quarterly leaflets, monthly **Louisiana News** and **Missionary Bulletin,** Conference minutes, Council minutes, Handbooks, Yearbooks, etc.

Much time and care is given to the preparation of this literature and each month as I place the materials in the envelopes, my earnest prayer is that it may reach the proper destination and be used as planned for. A number of persons are responsible for this being accomplished and so I want to thank each and every one who helped. First, my friends in Lafayette who have helped in addressing and mailing the literature. And then, the presidents of the auxiliaries in the Conference to whom the literature is mailed. Their first responsibility is to study the literature and become familiar with the entire program and then place the leaflets in the hands of the program chairman to be prepared for presentation. The **Louisiana News** and **Bulletin** is given to the Auxiliary Superintendent of Literature and Publicity, who reviews items of interest to the Society, the Church, and Church School. Each quarter there is a message from the Council Superintendent of Christian Social Relations; this is given by the president to her Christian Social Relations Superintendent for aid in her work with her committee.

Think of the time and expense that would be involved if this literature had to be mailed separately to each of these officers in every auxiliary of the Conference; and so, my sincere thanks to every president for her fine co-operation. And then I want to thank each and every Superintendent of Publicity and World Outlook chairman for their fine reports. These make it possible for me to make my report to Literature Headquarters, which I must mail on the tenth of the month following the quarter ending.

The splendid work of the World Outlook chairman resulted in our Conference goal of 1581 being oversubscribed; our total number of subscriptions on December 31st was 1604.

The District secretaries have helped by furnishing me with names of the officers and correcting them as changes have been made in the auxiliaries. They have helped, too, by encouraging the use of the literature and pointing out the splendid value in the program material, our Conference papers, the Bulletin, and the World Outlook. They have emphasized the value of reporting each quarter; and for all of this I am deeply grateful. Last, but by no means least, even though I have said "Thank you" many times during the year, I must say it again to Mrs. Dameron who served you so efficiently in this office for four years. She has truly been "my assistant" throughout the year even though she is your Superintendent of Mission and Bible Study. I say "my assistant" because she has been such a help to me in organizing and carrying on the work throughout the year.

Of the two hundred nineteen auxiliaries in our Conference only twenty-nine qualified for the Publicity Honor Roll by sending both World Outlook and Publicity reports on time and each quarter of the

year. Ten others sent both reports, but some came after the tenth of the month and were too late to be included in my report. Eighty-nine auxiliaries did not report at all. Here my greatest disappointment lies. I wonder if they received the literature, and if they did, was the amount sufficient? Did it meet the needs of their organization? How was it presented? I'm sure that these auxiliaries have many members with talent and fine ideas from which we could benefit if they would let us hear from them. We want to help them if we can.

This year it was decided to present the World Outlook Loving Cup to the Auxiliary having the largest per cent of subscribers, according to the families represented in their church; our aim is to have every family a reader of this fine magazine. Tullos Auxiliary, of the Alexandria District, led with seventy-five per cent of the Methodist families of their church subscribing. Wesley Auxiliary of the Monroe District, last year's holder of the cup, came second with sixty-two per cent. Hosston of the Shreveport District was third with fifty-three per cent, and Jones of Monroe District was fourth with forty-four per cent. These are fine records as the Conference average was approximately nine per cent.

Early in the year I wrote the District Secretaries and asked them to accept a World Outlook goal for their district for 1939. They responded as follows:

Alexandria District	200
Baton Rouge District	270
Lake Charles District	200
Monroe District	220
New Orleans District	200
Ruston District	230
Shreveport District	376

This makes a total of 1696 or an increase of 115 for the entire Conference over last year's goal of 1581.

We are proud of our **Louisiana News** and our Women's page in the **Christian Advocate.** We look forward to them and the inspiration of their messages, thanks to the splendid work of Mrs. Hyams, Mrs. Cunningham and Mrs. Pollard. Let me urge that you help them by sending in contributions of news from your auxiliary. Many requests came to me for extra copies of the "Spiritual Life issue" of the **Louisiana News.** I was sorry not to be able to send one to every member in the Conference, but the supply was soon exhausted.

Our theme for the year, "Widening Horizons," is developing in a most interesting way and reports are that the programs are usually fine and very inspirational. The world today faces a most crucial hour. Let us spend some time each day reading and studying books and magazines that will help to make us better Christians. Let us

think together of the "Widening Horizons" of human needs and be ready to share with all people a living experience of God.

MRS.G.J. TINSLEY.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSION AND BIBLE STUDY

No greater privilege or opportunity could have come to a newly elected Superintendent of Study than the one of attending Scarritt College, which came to me in June of last year. A six week's course in Missionary Education, under Miss Mabel K. Howell; study in the beautiful library of Scarritt College; fellowship with those who are seeking to know the Christian Way of Life; worship in the dignified and lovely Wightman Chapel—all of these experiences have been of untold value in performing the duties of this office as well as in enriching my own life. I shall ever be grateful to those who made it possible for me to have this high privilege.

Our two Mission topics for 1938—both concerning the Church in our own land—created a great deal of interest. The study of "The Rural Church in America" and "The Church in the City" helped each group to see how the "other half lives" and to appreciate in a new way the problems, needs, and opportunities of both the rural Church and the city Church. A great many new channels for Christian activity were opened up through these studies.

"The Radiant Heart," by Dr. Costen J. Harrell, proved to be the most popular Bible Study of 1938, leading the list each quarter. Gradually, auxiliaries are coming to use the Bible Study classes as occasions for real study.

Study Leaders' Meetings were held in each District in the Conference. A team composed of the Conference Secretary, Conference Superintendent of Christian Social Relations, and the Conference Superintendent of Study visited six of the Districts and presented methods and materials for the fall study. One District held its meetings in Zones, one of which the Superintendent of Study attended. Approximately 550 women received training through this medium. The value of the Study Leaders' Meetings has been attested to in the increase in Mission and Bible Study Classes and in the apparently higher type study that was conducted even when Special Council Recognition was not requested. I have also visited District and Zone Meetings and Officers' Institutes and presented the work of this department.

I am happy to report an increase of 37 Mission Study and 4 Bible Study Classes over the previous year. My statistical report is as follows:

Number Mission Study Classes Reported.....259

Number Members in Mission Study Classes.....4,966
Number Mission Study Classes Receiving Special Council Recognition 70
Number Bible Study Classes 174
Number Members in Bible Classes 4,185

It is my prayer that in this year we shall remember as our ideal the words that St. Paul wrote to the young Timothy: "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman who needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. G. W. DAMERON.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

The Committee on Education submits the following recommendations:

1. That we try to enlist every woman in the church in our mission and Bible Study Classes.
2. That only books recommended by Council for the current year be used as text for both Mission and Bible Study.
3. That every auxiliary study two Mission books and one Bible study during the year, planning to begin with a Mission study in October.
4. That we strive to make our Bible study a real study with the quality of teaching and class work equal to that done in our Mission Study classes.
5. That every auxiliary send at least one representative to the Pastors school conference for Christian Workers at Centenary College, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 12-7.
6. That one or more study leaders meetings be held in each district in September. When the Zone Meeting is used for this purpose, the full day should be given to it.
7. That a findings committee be appointed at the organization of the class to bring in suggestions for future action.
8. That study leaders use their influence to secure more Mission and Stewardship courses in training schools for Christian Workers.
9. That we make a greater effort to establish a library or bookshelf in the auxiliaries, collecting texts and helps of all kinds to aid in Missionary Education.
10. That, inasmuch as Mission Courses and other opportunities for Missionary education are provided in the young people's district camps and in the Conference assemblies auxiliaries cooperate in sending young people to these training groups.

11. That, auxiliaries be urged to provide the local young people's division of the church school with a subscription to "The World Outlook" to help in their Missionary programs.
12. That the Woman's Missionary Societies cooperate definitely with pastors, and missionary committees in all plans for missionary education in the church, especially in the church-wide mission study classes, schools of missions, and in the fourth Sunday programs of the Church School.
13. That each auxiliary send in reports for publicity, and literature, and for **The World Outlook,** and that no auxiliary which fails to send both reports for each quarter will be considered for the Publicity Honor Roll.
14. That the Louisiana News and Bulletin be presented each month to the auxiliary, and that articles for the Louisiana News be sent to Mrs. V. G. Hyams or to Mrs. W. T. Cunningham, Natchitoches, La., not later than the 10th of the month.
15. That the Superintendent of Literature and Publicity acquaint herself with the entire program of the Woman's Missionary Society that she may more adequately disseminate missionary news in the auxiliary and church and that she may give more adequate publicity to the activities of the society.
16. That each auxiliary make a study of all the literature provided for its use and help, and that a systematic effort be made to place the World Outlook in every home represented by the membership of the auxiliaries.
17. That where possible, the Auxiliary provide each officer with a handbook, and where not possible, that at least the president of the auxiliary be provided with a handbook which may be obtained from Literature Headquarters, Nashville, Tennessee.

(Signed)

MRS. S. E. CASTLES, Chairman.
MRS. M. E. WOODWARD, Secretary

SPECIAL COUNCIL CLASSES

The following requirements must be met by Mission Study Classes receiving special recognition from the Woman's Missionary Council:

I. Textbook.

The textbook used in Special Council classes must be selected from the list recommended for that purpose by the Woman's Missionary Council for the current year (1939-40).

II. Class Sessions.

The class shall meet for six sessions of one hour each or four sessions of one and one-half hours each. These sessions may be held

within one week or any time within six consecutive weeks, provided no two sessions are held on the same day.

III. Attendance.

An average attendance of 75 per cent of the members of the class must attend all class sessions.

IV. Assignments, Preparation.

Students must read an approved text and make outside preparation and must participate in class work. In addition to this, assignments shall be given each member by the teacher. These assignments may be reading from supplementary materials, research, co-operative activities, etc., that require additional outside preparation.

V. Teacher.

The teacher shall be qualified for the work by consecration to the task, by sufficient educational background, and by a willingness to use every opportunity for becoming a trained and experienced teacher, such as Special Study and Preparation, Attending Study Leaders' Meetings, Pastors' Schools, etc.

VI. Method.

The discussion method is recommended as most successful in stimulating group study and participation. The lecture method alone is not acceptable. A variety of methods may be desirable.

VII. Report and Recognition Card.

A report of the class must be made to the Conference Superintendent of Study on this blank furnished by her. She shall examine it, and if requirements are met, she shall send it to the Council officer in charge of Study, who will issue a recognition card for work meeting the required standard. All cards will be sent the Conference Superintendent at the close of the year.

All applications must reach the Conference Superintendent by December 31, if they are to be included in the report to Council.

BOOKS FOR STUDY

The study topics and texts listed below are to be used during the study year beginning October, 1939, and concluding September, 1940. For topics and texts to be used during the remainder of the present study year (through September, 1939), see the 1938-39 Study Leaders' List or the 1938 Conference Minutes.

Mission Study Topic for 1939-40:

"Christ and the World Community at Home and Abroad."

Study of the above topic to be based on:

1. **Home:** "Home and Harvest," by Arthur H. Limouse.
2. **Foreign:** "Through Tragedy to Triumph," by Basil Mathews.

The following Mission Studies will be continued: Societies may choose from these:

1. "The Church Takes Root in India," by Basil Mathews.
2. "The American City and Its Church," by Samuel C. Kincheloe.
3. "The Invincible Advance," by A. W. Wasson.
4. "Highways to International Goodwill," by Van Kirk.

Bible Study

The following Bible Studies will be continued on the approved list:

1. "Radiant Heart," by Costen J. Harrell.
2. "Songs in the Night," by Mary DeBardeleben.
3. "Exploring the Bible," by Hoff.

In addition to the above studies, there will be a new Bible Study, "Songs of Zion, Studies in the Psalms," by Mary DeBardeleben, which societies are asked to use in 1939-40.

DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

The work of this department has gone forward.

The reports received from the Auxiliary Superintendents show that the interest in the work has deepened and the outreach of the social endeavor has widened. More time has been given study, reading, and the discussion of public questions, which has resulted in an enlarged program of work. Greater emphasis has been given to social legislation, education, health, delinquency, and less stress placed on the number of old magazines and other literature distributed.

The study of "The American City and It's Church" was most helpful to the department of Christian Social Relations. Suggestions for practical community enterprizes were given. There has been increased activity and a better knowledge of community conditions, with the result that some definite work has resulted from the study.

The Chairmen of our five divisions have done a great deal to promote the work in their respective Districts and Zones. We are hoping to plan ways and means for a larger field of service.

The Average number of auxiliaries reporting during the year has not increased. However the number sending in regular quarterly reports has increased yearly, which I believe shows a decided growth in interest.

The following auxiliaries are to receive Council recognition.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT —Alexandria First Church and Gleaners, Bunkie, Palmetto, Natchitoches, Winnfield, Glenmora, Pineville, Rochelle.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT—Baton Rouge First Church, Ponchatoula, New Hope, Baker, Istrouma, St. Francisville, Jackson, Franklinton.

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT—Lake Charles, Lafayette, Merryville, Crowley, Elizabeth, DeRidder, Moss Bluff, Sulphur, Anacoco.

MONROE DISTRICT —Wisner, Sterlington, Monroe First Church, Monroe Gordon Ave., Little Creek, Delhi, Lake Providence, Wesley, Claiborne, Waterproof, Columbia, Bastrop, Crowville, Winnsboro, West Monroe, Oak Ridge, Buckner, Bartholomew.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT—Rayne Memorial, Parker Memorial, St. Marks, Bogalusa, Houma, Golden Meadows, Franklin, Algiers, Carrollton Ave., New Orleans First Church, New Orleans Second Church.

RUSTON DISTRICT —Ringgold, Arcadia, Jonesboro, Minden, Cotton Valley, Homer, Clay, Houghton, Haynesville, Hilly, Ruston, Simsboro.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT —Logansport, Wynn Memorial, Coushatta, Shreveport First Church, Gleaners, Cedar Grove, Vivian, Mangum Memorial, Gilliam, Benton, East Point, Sexton Chapel, Greenwood, Noel Memorial, Pelican, Plain Dealing.

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP AND LAW OBSERVANCE

We recommend:

1. That a study be made of Juvenile needs in each community with view toward prevention of delinquency, seeking the observance of laws dealing with compulsory school attendance, child labor, and juvenile delinquents.

2. That Conference Societies seek the improvement through Federal aid of Sanitary standards in state prisons.

3. Believing that a knowledge of prison conditions in our country would tend toward their improvement we recommend:

(a) That the women of the missionary societies make a study of conditions in local jails, state and county prisons and penitentiaries.

(b) That through the knowledge gained they help to arouse a public conscience which will bring pressure to bear upon public officials who have the appointing power of wardens and keepers of these institutions that they choose men who will be just and humane in their treatment of prisoners.

4. That a study be made of the migrant situation in each community in order that the attention of the auxiliaries be turned toward this area of need; that ways be found whereby the health, housing and sanitation of these groups be improved, and that the recreational and religious needs of these people be met through personal attention of the auxiliary women.

5. That a careful study be given to immigration problems and to the training of prospective citizens.

6. That influence be brought to bear in every way possible to prevent the untruthful and pernicious advertising of liquor so insiduously used in publications, on the screen and over the radio.

7. That a study be made of the Harrison Thomas-Fletcher Bill for Federal aid to the states for education of all races whereby aid is provided for adult and workers' education, teachers' training, rural libraries and public schools, and that we support its passage.

8. That auxiliary members take note of the elective course on the evils of gambling in the April issue of the **Adult Student**, entitled "The False Road to Fortune" (by Deets Pickett).

9. That auxiliary superintendents secure the new Citizenship Packet and promote its circulation among the auxiliary members. Order from the council of women for Home Missions, 297 Fourth Ave., New York, the Conference Packet on Migrants. Price 60 cents. We recommend:

1. That conferences, districts, zones, and auxiliaries cooperate with the C. M. E. Church in their program of Leadership Training, especially by assisting delegates to attend their training schools, and by providing, when requested, instructors accredited by the C. M. E. Board of Religious Education.

2. That in order to nourish our Christian faith in God the Father of all and to enrich our spiritual life by a wider fellowship of worship we seek to promote on special occasions, such as the World Day of Prayer and Brotherhood Week community-wide services of worship including all faiths and all races.

3. As Christians and members of a democracy we recognize the seriousness of discrimination against any group in limitation of educational opportunity, and we call upon our constituency to study the situation within their states, counties, and municipalities, giving serious thought to means of rectifying the inadequacy of our present provision for Negro citizens especially in field of higher education.

RURAL COMMUNITY

We recommend:

1. That the committee prepare a leaflet for use of missionary societies listing and explaining the activities found most helpful in promoting rural community study and service.

2. That the committee prepare two new guides of the Rural Community Series. One of these to be "How the Rural Church may serve its Community," and the second to be "The Problems of Youth in the Rural Community."

3. That a demonstration study of the guide on "The Problems of Youth in the Rural Community" be made at one of the zone meetings during the year.

4. That rural missionary societies seek in every way possible to relate the church to the community needs and make a study of all community organizations and seek to find helpful ways to cooperate with them.

5. That rural missionary societies avail themselves of the free publications of the Federal and State Departments of Public Health, Welfare, Education and Agriculture that bear particularly on their community life.

6. That the three members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Joint Annual Conference Rural Work Commission shall be a nucleus for a standing committee on rural work of the Conference Woman's Missionary Society.

7. That each Conference Woman's Missionary Society appoint at least one rural woman as a member of the Annual Conference Rural Work Commission or as a member of the standing committee of the Woman's Missionary Society.

8. That the Rural Community Committee of the Woman's Missionary Council establish a circulating library of books and pamphlets bearing on rural work for use of its committee members.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND WORLD PEACE

We recommend:

1. That during the year 1939 we lay major emphasis on the necessity of co-operation of the United States with other nations to eliminate war and to establish and maintain peace with justice.

2. That as an important step in co-operation we urge our Government to take the initiative in calling a World Conference for Peace.

3. That auxiliaries make a study of various bills coming before Congress relative to International Relations, and register their convictions with their Congressmen. That we recommend for immediate study the questions of neutrality and War Referendum.

4. That auxiliary women take the initiative in forming Peace

Councils in their communities. Such councils to be non-denominational. That they in every possible way combine their efforts with those of existing peace agencies.

5. That women of the auxiliaries seek to secure more effective peace education for young people and children through the home, church and school.

ECONOMIC RELATIONS

1. We recommend to auxiliary Superintendents and Committees of Christian Social Relations an investigation of family income and living conditions among the lower income groups of their communities.

2. We request the Literature Committee to publish a guide for this investigation, which shall include estimates of an adequate living standard which have been prepared by competent agencies.

3. We recommend that Auxiliary Christian Social Relations Committees make contacts with the heads of relief organizations in their communities and seek from them direction and assignment of definite service.

4. We recommend that auxiliaries in rural districts seek the advice of Federal and State Agencies in charge of Farm Relief and Loans in order to render definite service where needed. In order to aid them in this work they read and study the following three pamphlets: "Your Income and Mine," "How We Spend Our Money," "The Negro Woman Worker." (These may be secured from Literature Headquarters, 10 cents each.)

5. We recommend a study of the need of raising the standards of wages, hours and living conditions for domestic employees and cooperate with other agencies that are working toward the same end.

6. We recommend the support of Senator Arthur Vandenberg's Bill for a Child Labor Amendment:

The Amendment is: "The Congress shall have power to limit and prohibit the employment for hire of persons under sixteen years of age."

JOINT AFFIRMATION OF COMMITTEE ON CITIZENSHIP AND LAW OBSERVANCE AND COMMITTEE ON INTERRACIAL COOPERATION

1. A continued effort to eradicate the evils of lynching through a program of education in our local communities. We call especial attention to—

(a) The powers and functions of the state radio police control as an instrument for maintaining law and order and giving greater security to life and property.

(b) The need as citizens of the nation for making an impartial study of any proposed federal legislation seeking to evaluate it as a means toward eradicating lynching.

COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

General Recommendations—

1. That our growing knowledge and insights into the widening outreaches of social endeavor promoted through the Bureau of Christian Social Relations be lifted into the realm of worship, that we may have the sense of being co-workers with God in the establishment of His Kingdom.

2. Since the principles upon which democracy is founded are flouted and despised in many parts of the world today, and since the infringement of the liberties of any group is a violation of democracy itself, and since religious freedom in America means that men are free to express their faith in any terms they desire without suffering penalties in the social or economic order, we recommend to our constituency that:

(a) They inform themselves through reading and personal contacts in the special problems of minority groups in their midst seeking to understand them and to work with them on common community problems. Among these groups we make special reference to the Jewish people living in our communities and those refugees who may become citizens, realizing that "He who looks up to Jesus cannot be anti-Semitic"—Masarak.

(b) We endorse for reading and study **The Jew and the World Ferment** by Basil Matthews and a packet or pamphlet on the Jewish Situation.

(c) We commend to our constituency the work of the National Council of Jews and Christians and urge our missionary women to unite in this movement wherever it may be possible, seeking to create right attitudes especially among the youth and adults of our local churches.

3. We recommend that our constituency keep in touch with the newly organized Southern Conference for Human Welfare which provides opportunity for stimulating conferences on the part of Southern leaders in the fields of Agriculture, Industry, Education Health and Public Welfare, looking toward the solution of the major economic problems of the South.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is a matter of common knowledge that there has been a great increase in the commission of crimes during the last few years, and that the majority of these crimes are committed by

young people, of high school age or slightly older, a great problem faces the nation today as to what can be done to remedy the condition.

Here in our State of Louisiana the problem is greatly complicated by the fact of there being the two races, negro and white, utterly dissimiliar in culture, training and ideals.

Statistics show that the greatest number of petty crimes are commited by the negro youth and under our present sysem there is little that can be done except put this juvenile offender in jail repeatedly and when he grows older and becomes a chronic criminal send him to the penitentiary.

How much better, socially and financially, it would be to train and educate these boys so that they may grow up to be useful members of society. This can only be done through a modern training school such as is already established for white boys.

So be it resolved that the Lake Charles Auxiliary of the W. M. S. inaugurate a movement asking that our State Legislature approve the establishment of a Training School for delinquent negro boys and not only approve but vote the necessary funds for the establishment and maintenance of this Home.

Be it further resolved that this Auxiliary present this matter to our State Missionary Conference asking for endorsement and active support;

That each delegate at the State Conference be instructed to instigate the active cooperation of her own auxiliary and solicit the support of all other churches, Civic organizations, Business and Professional Women's Club, Rotary, Kiwanis, and Chamber of Commerce in her Community.

That the establishment of this home will be of inestimable value in the training of delinquent negro youth and worthy of the best efforts and prayers of all Christian men and women.

That we solicit the prayers of all members of our Auxiliaries believing that united prayer is a powerful force. Pray and work without ceasing.

BELLE FOSTER CIRCLE
of the Lake Charles Auxiliary
MRS. WARD ANDERSON,
Chairman

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SPIRITUAL LIFE AND MESSAGE

"What woman who has ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, and sweep the house, and search carefully till she finds it? And when she has found it, she calls together her

friends and neighbors and says, "Congratulate me, for I have found the coin which I had lost." (Weymouth, Lu. 15:8-9).

So much is implied in this parable for us as Spiritual Life leaders. The possessor of the ten coins feels her precious wedding necklace is incomplete because one coin is lost. She determines to find it. Note what she does!

"She lights a lamp."—Feels need of additional light and help.

"She sweeps the house."—Leaves nothing unmoved that she might find it. Not ordinary sweeping.

"Searches carefully."—Notice her persistence, her earnestness.

"Calls in her friends and neighbors."—Wants to share her joy with others.

Can you see that little homely picture? A few women rejoicing over the recovery of a precious thing that had been lost?

Is it like a Spiritual Life group of women **determined** to capture "a lost radiance in Christian experience, **using** the Bible and books and periodicals; **searching** earnestly for new truth, and **meeting** to talk about God's power in daily life, and **praying** that His plan for the world may be brought about?

Trying to write about this work is trying to describe what the sunshine does; what happens to the flowers and trees at springtime.

Women **are** recovering lost spiritual power; they are discovering new ways of service; new channels of brotherhood; new understanding of prayer; new ideas of God, His Church and His plan for the whole world. I have been more convinced this year than ever before that our women have become conscious of the necessity of the Spiritual Life group. Many auxiliaries do not have one because of lack of leaders, but they realize they must have one, when possible. This is encouraging.

The State officers, District secretaries, and the Spiritual Life Key Women have been in perfect harmony and rendered great assistance. The loyalty and devotion of the women over the state is inspiring.

We think we have made several steps forward. First, we have added a number of young women to our list of leaders. They have been attracted by our Spiritual Life program. Second, we have more Spiritual Life groups than ever before. Third, we have had more original ideas, expressed, as to how to conduct a Spiritual Life prayer group. Fourth, we have co-operated with pastors better than before, and given more hearty support to the program of the church. Fifth, we have conducted more Retreats in Districts, Zones and local auxiliaries.

We have asked a number of our state officers for their opinion regarding the condition of our Conference, and they all felt that the splendid record made last year was largely due to the increased

interest in spiritual living. This, of course, was not altogether due to the work of the Spiritual Life groups, but also to the Aldersgate Commemoration and the Bishops' Crusade, and the Evangelistic effort, and the interest in the Youth Crusade. It has been easy to enlist the co-operation of the women, for there have been specific objects of Prayer, and all the literature has been full of inspirational articles.

We have been busy this year. Have attended the State Conference; some District meetings; Zone meetings, and Retreats for local auxiliaries, and other special meetings as the Missionary Conference in San Antonio. Have sent out over five hundred letters; distributed a thousand cards to those women signing the Fellowship of Evangelism Pledge, (the response to this has been so fine); and have had many conferences with individuals interested in beginning the work. The Louisiana News put out an edition devoted to the Spiritual Life work. Held a special meeting in New Orleans for those interested, and had a splendid attendance.

Some definite accomplishments might be of interest: We have a prayer group or an inner circle in some of the large auxiliaries. In these auxiliaries the Spiritual Life leaders meet once a month for council and to exchange experiences. Some have set aside a room, called The Upper Room, for prayer, to which officers and teachers of the Church School are invited to meet before the session opens. Many prayer groups meet once a week in the morning. Many circles have a five minute meditation or period of silence before the meeting. The circulating library among the members of the Executive Committee continues. Some Spiritual Life leaders have "a book shelf" for the members of the prayer group.

Another successful institute for Spiritual Life leaders was held at our Pastors' School. A demand was made last year for a morning Watch Service. We shall try it this year. It was truly surprising to find such a keen interest in prayer and meditation. Many retreats were held at Easter last year. Many auxiliary leaders report meetings held regularly; Upper Room distributed to the sick; many have learned to pray; many are studying "Victorious Living." Prayer groups being given over entirely to testimony, confession and praise, and some say that the work is glorious, and a real spiritual blessing has come to those who have met regularly, who have prayed for definite objects, and who have shared rich experiences. Again, we have letters saying that family altars have been started, a greater reverence is found in the churches; attendance at church services increased; devotional literature distributed; many unconverted brought into the church; World Day of Prayer beautifully carried out, co-operating with other denominations. We quote the following:

"One of the most valuable of all departments is the "Spiritual Life Group." This group meets for discussion of personal, community or church problems and for prayer. Its influence cannot be estimated, for it has permeated every phase of the entire Missionary Society. Through this group 250 Upper Room books have been distributed, both to members and to various groups in the city. We feel that the work has grown and advanced along every line during the year."

Someone said: "It is easier to do one's work when one is a member of the Spiritual Life group. It is like carrying a light about with you."

We are not asking the women to consider this work as something they must do to meet requirements, or something more requiring a report. Nor are we going to send materials for another program. Let us be like the woman who searched to find the lost treasure, and who met with her friends to rejoice.

We still need leaders. But it is not as difficult to find women who will agree to take the responsibility as formerly. Each year new ones have to be trained, and so we proceed slowly. We are not studying as we should. There are few subscribers to the Outlook and the Advocates. It may be we can establish a Reading Room in our churches, where a person in charge will help those who drop in to find inspiring, helpful literature. This would be different from the Prayer Room, and would be a project worthy of consideration.

The names of those signing the Fellowship of Evangelism Pledge have been placed on a long paper ribbon, some eighteen yards in length, and represents a Prayer Chain, "binding the whole wide earth about the throne of God." These names have been sent to the New Orleans Christian Advocate; the Nashville Christian Advocate and the Evangelism Commission, and sample copies of Advocate and other helpful material will be sent to each person.

I have not been able to do all that should have been done, but I believe we have made some progress. Our women are interested. Out state officers strike a high spiritual note at our State and District Conferences. The Lord is with us, and we shall not fail.

Stanley Jones was once criticized as being "obsessed with the idea of the Kingdom of God on earth." He replied: "Would God that I were. It would be a Magnificent Obsession." And added: "If I must be obsessed with something, if something must grip me, command me and have my central loyalty, then I choose that this obsession be that something."

Would that we, this year, might study about God's kingdom, and pray that it come into our hearts and to the world!

With an earnest prayer for hundreds of small prayer groups all over our State, studying, sharing, praying, rejoicing, I am

Your friend in His Service,

MRS. R. E. SMITH
Spiritual Life Chairman
451 Kings Highway
Shreveport, Louisiana.

Recommendations of Committee On Spiritual Life

We, your Committee, on Spiritual Life and Message submit the following recommendations:

1. That we endeavor to have, not only a Spiritual Life group in every auxiliary, but where auxiliary is divided into circles, we suggest a prayer circle within each circle. That our Conference be known as the Conference of the United Hearts.

2. That where possible, a retreat be held in every auxiliary, and, further, wherever possible, an inter-Methodist retreat be held.

3. That retreat features continue to be a part of our District, and Zone meetings.

4. That emphasis be placed on the World Day of Prayer and Week of Prayer, making both meaningful.

5. That continued effort be given in making our Conference a "Reading Conference," stressing the use of Devotional books and periodicals such as The Upper Room, World Outlook, Christian Advocates and Christian Home.

6. That, in additional to a Prayer Room, wherever possible, it is recommended that a Reading Room be also established. This room to be in charge of a competent person who may need just such a place of service and the church, as well as the auxiliary, to support the undertaking which may be inspired by the Spiritual Life group.

7. That Spiritual Life work be integrated into all phases of the work and especially into the committee work of the Christian Social Relations Bureau.

8. That great movements such as Youth's Crusade, Unification and Evangelism, be presented for study and special prayer by the Spiritual Life groups.

9. That we believe religion must have a home base, and recommend that parents be encouraged to teach religion in the home, and to conserve the spiritual values of family life.

MRS. MARY FREEMAN, Chairman
MRS. GILMAN McCONNELL, Secretary

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATUS OF WOMEN

The status of women in the world today—social, political, and religious—is one of definite progress. The changes produced by woman's place in all walks of life are bringing the man's world and the woman's world closer together.

Much of our women's vitality is being used in organizations outside the church. These, for the most part, are worthy organizations, but we wish for an enlarged service within the church. We covet a larger place for women on the policy making bodies of our church. In this field our own President, Mrs. Sexton, is a delegate to the Unification Conference and is a member of the Youth Crusade Committee. Also Miss Sally Lou MacKinnon was a delegate to the Madras Conference last December. This shows progress.

The committee feels that it is vital to the missionary interests and the program of the whole church that the entire church membership should be well informed on the total church program; to women's place within the program and the changing social structure. To this end we feel that an increasing amount of study should be done within our women's groups.

MRS. S. J. FAIRCHILD, Chairman
MRS. W. D. STORMS

RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE ON STATUS OF WOMEN

We recommend:

1. The committee recommends that we continue the reports of the Woman's Missionary Society to the Annual District, Zone and Auxiliary meetings.

2. That we continue the study of the place of women within the church program, and the study of the total church program by using all available packets of material, the World Outlook, the Nashville Christian Advocate, and the Daily Advocate of the Uniting Conference.

3. That we work toward a more adequate representation of women within the general organizations of our church.

MRS. S. J. FAIRCHILD, Chairman
MRS. W. D. STORMS

REPORT OF LOUISIANA SCARRITT ASSOCIATES

For the Year Ending First Quarter, 1939

Some Things Your Scarritt Associate Dollars Do

Train Social Workers—Professors of Bible and Religious Education . . . Directors of Recreation, of Church Music and Dramatics,

of Christian Education . . . Pastor's Assistants . . . Boys' and Girls' Workers . . . Missionaries and Deaconesses . . . Rural Workers . . . Missionary Nurses . . . Leaders of numerous types of volunteer Christian work.

Give service throughout the world . . . Serve your community, your State and your Nation, as well as other nations!

Scarritt students are now serving in 18 States and 13 foreign countries! Ten countries and 20 states are represented by students in Scarrit this year, according to Dr. Cunninggim's report at Council.

What You Contributed to Scarritt Associates Last Year

Name of Disrict	Associates Secured	Cash Contributed
Alexandria	9	$ 9.00
Baton Rouge	45	49.00
Lake Charles	13	16.00
Monroe	2	2.00
New Orleans	3	3.00
Ruston	7	7.00
Shreveport	22	19.50
Grand Totals	101	$105.50

NOTE: The above report fails to show the entire membership for the reason that many contributors sent their membership dues direct to Scarritt College instead of to me. In order for all memberships to appear on our report, it is necessary that they go through me as director. So, hereafter, please mail all names, as well as contributions, direct to me.

GOAL FOR LOUISIANA THIS YEAR: 270 members.

HOW WE CAN REACH THIS GOAL: Say we have 233 auxiliaries in this State. If every auxiliary is represented by one member, this would bring us within 37 of our goal. If larger auxiliaries would assume the role of "big sister" to some small auxiliary, we could go "over the top" with a rush! The cost of a Scarritt Associate membership is only ONE DOLLAR per member minimum per year.

This year we hope to have a representative of Scarritt Associates in each of the seven districts of our State. These workers will have authority to premote the work and accept contributions.

MRS. GILMAN McCONNELL
Direcor, Scarritt Associates in La.

REPORT OF CANDIDATE COMMITTEE

Because of the pressing need for recruits on the mission field the Conference Candidate Committee has felt its responsibility very keenly. Names of those interested in full time service are kept on

file and contacts and cultivation carried on as far as possible. Louisiana has not had a young woman at Scarritt the past year but several are now qualified and we are hoping to send one of them this fall.

It is suggested by the Council Committee that ten scholarships for the six weeks summer term be given outstanding young women who have finished college in the last year or two and are interested in equipping themselves for more efficient service. Your committee recommends that the Conference provide one of these scholarships should a Louisiana girl be among the ten selected.

In line with Council policy, the committee has decided to co-opt additional members who are in touch with young people and can be helpful in this work. It is also recommended that we keep in close touch with the Youth Crusade and try to guide those interested in Christian service toward definite training.

For the last three years Miss MacKinnon and Mrs. Downs, in their reports to Council, have stressed the great need for additional workers. The personnel needs on the fields at present are:

Foreign Field—China: One or more doctors prepared to teach in medical school. One doctor for hospital practice. Three educational workers. Two evangelistic workers. Social workers—urban and rural. Music teachers. Nurses.

Japan: Home economics teachers. Physical education teacher. Two social-evangelistic workers. Two evangelistic workers for Japanese in Korea. Three English teachers. One rural worker. One public health worker. A kindergarten supervisor and teacher of parent education.

Korea: A woman doctor. Music teacher. Educational workers. Social workers—urban and rural.

Africa: Nurses. Educational workers.

Cuba: Educational workers. Social workers—urban and rural.

Brazil: Rural worker. Social workers—urban and rural. Teachers for Bennett College: Social work, religion, education, home economics.

Home Field: Workers who are fitted by training and purpose for the many and varied tasks of rural communities; one nurse who has public health training and experience; three young men who meet the standards for boys' workers equal to those required of women workers; six young women whose training and experience will enable them quickly to qualify for head residents in institutions for both Negro and White people; several young women who can qualify for boys' work.

As you speak to groups and meet outstanding young people who are not satisfied in the work they are doing, remember these needs. The church is again able to send out missionaries at home and

abroad. There is joy and satisfaction in working **with people** to build the Kingdom of God. "Who will go for us?"

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON VISITING INSTITUTIONS

Our Louisiana Conference institutions, MacDonnell French Mission School, St. Mark's Community Center and Jubilee Inn have all been visited by our committee during the past year. In each one of these institutions we find our work marching steadily on, under the direction of consecrated Christian leaders who are giving their all in the cause of the Master.

The members of the Conference have been most generous in their contributions for which we extend our thanks. We pray that they may be inspired to do even better this year in order that our work may go forward as never before.

We believe that where there is information there is interest and we suggest that wherever possible societies and circles plan trips of inspection or arrange to hold meetings at one of these places and that you frequently use the workers at these institutions on your programs. They will provide both information and inspiration.

MRS. D. M. CAMPBELL, Chairman

LOUISIANA MISSION FIELDS

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Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter, President.
Mrs. E. A. Sartor, Recording Secretary.
Mrs. Lowrey, Corresponding Secretary.
Mrs. N. L. Hudson, Treasurer.

REPORT FROM JUBILEE INN

Another year has passed, and as we look back upon it, it stands out as the most successful in the ten years of its history. Fifty girls made this home in the last year while away from their own homes. The capacity of the house was increased by four, by using rooms which were previously used for an apartment. Very few weeks went by that the house was not filled.

The high peak of the year came in September when, through the efforts of our President, Mrs. M. D. Hargrove, and loyal members of the board, the debt on the property was retired. No finer spirit was ever demonstrated than was demonstrated by this board for the past ten years. With love and sacrifice they have labored and it was a happy day for all when the debt was wiped out.

A party was held in September celebrating our tenth birthday. Dr. Foster made a most appropriate dedicatory talk at that time. It was a beautiful party, enjoyed by a number of our church people. The board presented the home with a birthday gift of lovely silver.

At all times we strive for improvement, not only in physical surroundings but in body and soul. Last year a most valuable set of books was presented to us by a Delphian Society. Magazines were subscribed to and read by many. A series of talks on the Christian home, marriage and love was given by Mrs. R. E. Smith and thoroughly enjoyed by the girls. Round table discussions have brought us to a better understanding of one another.

The social life has varied very little from that of the past. Holidays and birthdays add color and pleasure to the busy life of business girls. Swimming parties and picnics were always refreshing on hot days. A Hallowe'en party, when young men were special guests, seems to stand out as the most enjoyable of parties. The girls had charge of all plans, decorations, and games. So well did they entertain that the regular time for closing the house was forgotten.

It has been a peculiar joy to me to see some of the girls show marked improvement in their lives. Some are growing in leadership, some in sweetness of disposition, and some in spiritual depth. This is a great reward for service and I am grateful for a place in the Master's work touching young lives.

REPORT OF MAC DONELL FRENCH MISSION SCHOOL, MAC DONELL WESLEY COMMUNITY HOUSE, AND FRENCH RURAL WORK

Houma, Louisiana

I. Advisory Board:

Mrs. J. A. Pharr, President; Mrs. J. W. Downs, Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., Mrs. Wiltz M. Ledbetter, Mrs. D. B. Carre, Mrs. Gilman McConnell, Dr. Elmer C. Gunn, Dr. B. H. Andrews.

II. Staff of Workers, 1938-39:

Miss Ella K. Hooper, Miss Lillie J. Hendricks, Miss Ione Gandy, Miss Elizabeth Covington, Miss Annie Lampard, Miss Anna Fay Fowler, Miss Mabel K. Harrell, Miss Annie Law, Miss Myrtie McDougal, Mr. Nolan J. Matherne, Mr. Levy Marcelle, Mr. David Paul Smith, Mr. Kenneth Leatherman.

(2) Dulac Indian School: Miss Wilhelmina Hooper, Mrs. Elizabeth Roubion, and Miss Mabel Curol.

Report of 1938

At the meeting of the Advisory Board, February, 1938, two new movements were initiated: First to cooperate in establishing

another Methodist Church in Houma, out near the school, and, second, to secure a share in the Week of Prayer offerings so to get all buildings in good repair and to add to the funds raised by the Conference women and build, not only the new laundry so long awaited, but an enlarged and better equipped kitchen and dining room. These objectives, followed with zeal and unremitting toil, together with an increased enrollment, have made the year an interesting, if not a restful, one. And, as if this were not enough to spice up one school session, seven of our young folk decided to get married. Think of seven weddings in one family in a single year. These young people are, of course, former pupils of MacDonell School, most of them graduates. This means new Christian homes that will be sources of light and power in the various communities and so continued returns on the investments of the years.

Commencement week, as usual, was the crowning period of the year. Dr. W. H. Wallace, Jr., of First Church, New Orleans, brought the Sunday message—one that will not be forgotten by any of the audience. Dr. B. H. Andrews, former pastor and honored friend of the graduates, was the speaker on Wednesday evening. Of the seven graduates, four girls and two boys, one is in college, two have married, one is teaching in the Dulac Indian School, and the other three are holding good jobs and doing fine work.

Our present enrollment is 110, a larger number than usual. Many applicants were turned away for lack of room, but we feel that these limitations are not altogether without advantage, necessitating, as it does, a more careful sifting of those admitted, for, it is expected of MacDonell School boys and girls that they will not live for themselves alone, but be channels through which the love and care and gifts poured out for them may be transformed and passed on to many others.

The Vacation Bible Schools, the one held at MacDonell School and those in other sections, were well attended and fruitful of much good. Our teachers and pupils continue to cooperate with the rural churches in many ways, not forgetting the recreational needs of all ages. One of the teachers writes, "In addition to the school work, I am privileged to go now and then on missionary trips to some rural community. I love the visits with the French people in their own homes along the bayous."

We could not close a report without some expression of appreciation of the love and prayers and gifts of the Louisiana missionary women and those of the Council for the work in Houma. It is our strength and joy that you have us in your hearts and prayers unceasingly.

Alexandria, First Church—Libby Martin.
Alexandria, First Church and Gleaners—Helen Cantrelle.
Alexandria District and Zones—Shirley and Norman Rogers and Beulah Cantrelle.
Bunkie, Mrs. W. D. Haas—Flossie Martin.
Baton Rouge, First Church—Mollie Hatch.
Baton Rouge, First Church—Sadie Martin.
Baton Rouge District—Ella Mae Rodrique and Bertman Bruce.
Crowley Auxiliary—Jeanette Champagne.
Crowley, Young Women's Circle—Oneida Hunter.
New Iberia—Eunice Griffin.
Lake Charles Auxiliary—Ora Levron.
Lake Charles District, Zones 2 and 4—Lelia Dupre.
Lake Charles District, Zones 1, 3, 5—Lela Savoie.
Monroe, First Church—Leroy Martin.
Monroe District—Irma Malbrough.
West Monroe—Shirley Robichaux.
New Orleans District—Wilbert Kern.
New Orleans District, Zone 4—Thomas Cantrelle.
Rayne Memorial—Helen Pitre.
Rayne Memorial Snyder—Walter Hunter.
First Church, New Orleans—Roy Audoine.
Carrollton Avenue, New Orleans—Elma Savoie.
Ruston Auxiliary—Odile Cantrelle.
Ruston District—Lillian Barrios.
Homer-Haynesville—Loricia Neal.
Shreveport District, Zone 1—Victoria Neal.
Shreveport District, Zone 2—Robert Hunter.
Shreveport District, Zone 3 and 4—Marybell Aladdin.
Shreveport, First Church, Bashie English Circle—Bessie Cantrelle.
Shreveport, First Church, Sallie Sexton Circle—Mary Pitre.
Shreveport Gleaners—Rita Mae Savoie.
Shreveport, Noel Memorial—Theresa Neal, Morris Martin.
Conference, Houma Day Offerings—Lucia Rodrigue.
Shreveport, Mrs. Lamar Baker—Marie Detiveaux.
Monroe, Parker Memorial Class—Gertrude Landis.
Shreveport, First Church, Baird Sunday School Class—Gladys Roubion.

THE DULAC INDIAN MISSION

A fine piece of educational and social service work is being carried on at Dulac with volunteer workers and the financial assist-

ance of Mr. T. C. Clanton of Shreveport. We miss having a Council worker, but there has been no slackening of interest, or in activities. Miss Wilhelmina Hooper, an experienced teacher and rural worker, heads the work and her assistants have been Mrs. Elizabeth Roubion and Miss Mabel Curol. The latter is a graduate of MacDonell School. She is doing fine work and thus continuing the benefits of the investments made in her scholarship by the Carrollton Avenue Missionary Society of New Orleans.

The enrollment in the two schools—day school for children and night school for adults—totals 95. In addition there are two extension schools for isolated communities. The teachers visit these two communities each twice a week and conduct schools in which all ages from 6 to 60 are enrolled. The MacDonell School nurse makes two visits a month to the Indian work, going from house to house and giving what aid she can at the time and advising the people in health matters. There are several clubs for various ages—Boys' Industrial Club, Younger Girls' Club, Older Girls' Club, etc. These are for constructive hand work and for recreation.

The church activities are separate and distinct, as many of the Indians are Roman Catholic and not connected with the church. The pastor holds two services a month. There is a regular Sunday School every Sunday morning and a Bible School every Sunday evening. Once a month there is a Community Sing in conducting which the MacDonell School faculty and pupils cooperate.

There is an unusual opportunity for service among the Indians of Terrebonne and Lafourche Parishes. We are glad to have even a small share in getting it started.

REPORT OF ST. MARK'S COMMUNITY CENTER

Officers of Board

President.....Mrs. J. W. Warren, 470 Audubon Blvd.
Vice-President.....Mrs. C. C. Hightower, 85 Audubon Blvd.
Recording Secretary.....Mrs. H. P. Shallcross, 1209 Fern
Corresponding Secretary.....Mrs. Frank Levy, 1316 Burdette
Treasurer.....Mrs. L. M. Carre, 1520 Burdette

Members of Staff

Head Resident.....Mary Lou Barnwell
Director of Girls' Work.....Julia Southard
Director of Music and Art.....Julia Lovin
Director of Boys' Work.....Frederick D. Rogers
Nurse.....Hazel Bulifant

During the past year a survey was made of the vicinity surrounding St. Mark's in order to get a picture of the forces operating for good and evil in the community. It was found that there are

285 bar rooms, dance halls and gambling houses as against 25 churches, schools, parks, playgrounds, libraries and community centers. These facts present a great challenge to organized Christianity and St. Mark's is trying to face the challenge in a manner that will help the boys and girls resist evil and choose the good. Living in the midst of such tragic conditions, there is a constant struggle for youth on making proper choices.

During the winter months a program of interesting activities is carried on for the four-fold development and enrichment of personalities. The summer provides time for intensive work in the Vacation Church School, swimming, a bit of camping and other special features. Scouting for boys and girls is continued throughout the entire year. St. Mark's is the only agency in the city that has all three branches of scouting for boys—Cubs for the younger boys, Boy Scouts for those 12 to 16 and Sea Scouts for the boys over 16.

Through the church the young people are finding various avenues of worthwhile service. For the past year one of the Intermediates from St. Mark's has been president of the Intermediate Union and one of the boys is an officer in the Young People's Union. Three of the young people are attending church schools—two are at Textile Institute and one is at MacDonell School in Houma.

To stand as a forceful Christian agency to overcome evil with good—this is our task.

CEDAR GROVE WORK

So many things about a year's work cannot be tabulated, but the results are gratifying.

For years the Methodist people of Cedar Grove have longed for the day when they could have a new and an adequate church building. The responsibility seemed too great for hard working people living on small incomes. In September, however, we began our campaign—first buying lots on Southern Avenue which we feel is a splendid location for a church. We began the erection of the building on April the first, having on hand six thousand dollars in cash and pledges. All of this represents hard work and splendid cooperation. I could cite instances of sacrificial giving and deep consecration that would warm any heart!

Many efforts to perfect the organization and program of the church school have been made. The Local Board of Christian Education is proud of the work being done in our church school in spite of inadequate and poorly arranged space. Thirty-one credits were earned by leaders, and prospective leaders, of our church in the recent District Standard Training School. Twenty young people from

our church received training in assemblies and camps during the year. Two young men and a splendid young woman have begun preparation for full time Christian service.

To develop appreciation for good sacred music has been one of my aims this year. We organized a Junior Choir, A Treble Choir and an Adult Choir. These choirs sponsored and presented a lovely Christmas Musical. The Treble Choir repeated its A Cappella number for the church service on Christmas Day.

The Youth Crusade Movement is playing a vital part in the lives of our young people. I am eager that not one of them shall miss the true spirit of the movement. We had a fine week-end retreat at Camp Margaret before entering upon our Holy Week activities.

Though much of our time and energy this year has been spent in attaining a brick building, we have kept uppermost in our thoughts that we are building to increase the Kingdom of God in this area. With this as our purpose we shall give and give and give again until we secure the necessary funds. (The blue print shows a lovely tower, which we hope will bring a message of God to the community.)

VERNA WEBSTER

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE RURAL WORK, 1938

With the belief that the more abundant life which Jesus wants people to have is a well-rounded life in home, church, and community, I have taken part in many activities. Among them are these: Home visitation; organizing and directing a mothers' club; cooperating with Home Demonstration Clubs; sponsoring children's story hours; making talks and leading devotionals in church schools, missionary society meetings, and on young people's programs; sponsoring and teaching in Christian Workers' Training Schools; directing pageants; holding local institutes for Vacation Church School leaders; directing Vacation Church Schools; holding informal conferences with church school and missionary society teachers and officers; serving on church building committee; meeting with Board of Christian Education and helping them plan their programs; cooperating with parish organizations and agencies whenever possible.

A Woman's Missionary Society has been organized in an old church (the present building is 103 years old); 3 Boards of Christian Education have been organized; new leaders for church activities have been discovered and helped in their new fields of service.

It has been indeed a happy year of service—rich in fellowship with other Christians as we labored together in an effort to make vital the principles of Christian living in the experiences of people in church and community.

SHIELA NUTTALL

RURAL WORK AT HODGE, LOUISIANA

The work at Hodge might be typed rural industrial work. Hodge is a paper mill town, owned and operated by the mill company. I enjoy living in a dormitory with about twenty-five young women who are mill employees.

The work has been largely that of general church deaconess, co-operating with the pastor in trying to strengthen the program of the local church and the other two churches on the charge. We have worked with the young people and children, helping to carry on week-day activities with them. We have helped in their plans for recreation and for their Union meetings. Plans are now being made for work in our District Young People's Camps and for directing Vacation Church Schools in the three churches.

There have been organized a church school class for young adult women, and a new Missionary Circle. The Dodson Missionary Society, after being inactive for nearly a year, has been reorganized with members from our church and from the Methodist Protestant Church uniting to form a strong auxiliary.

I have taught Mission Study, Bible Study, and Teacher-Training Classes. As a result of our Mission Study Class we are working toward the establishment of a library in our Negro school. Contacts with the teachers of the school and with the Negro supervisor of Jackson Parish have been challenging. Together we are planning work to be done in their rural schools and churches.

In co-operation with a Catholic friend we are taking steps to organize Girl Scouts in Hodge.

Through whatever organization or activity work is being done, the dominating purpose is that of sharing with people a Christ who came "that they might have Life and that they might have it more abundantly."

MARGARET INFINGER

DEPARTMENT OF LAWS

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE SOCIETY

Classification of Laws

1. Special Rules.
2. Standing Rules.
3. By-Laws.
4. That these terms be defined as follows:

(1) A rule for one year or expiring with the emergency which called it into being shall be known as a special rule.

(2) A special rule, which by a majority vote of the body is

made permanent shall be known as a standing rule. A standing rule shall remain in force until amended or rescinded.

(3) A by-law is a law created by the body that is as binding on all the body and its agencies as is the constitution. Being created by the body, it may be rescinded at the will of the body. An amendment to the by-laws must be ratified by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting.

BY-LAWS ADOPTED BY LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Note—Constitution and by-laws for all Conference Societies will be found in the Hand Book.

1. Election of officers shall take place biennially.
2. When vacancies among officers or standing committees occur during the year, they shall be filled by the Executive Committee until the next annual session of the Conference. At that time the office shall be filled by election.
3. All minutes of the Conference shall be signed by the President.
4. The Treasurer may disburse without order from President and Conference Secretary the quarterly expense money for officers, superintendents and secretaries. She shall send quarterly itemized statements to the Conference Secretary, President and District Secretaries.
5. The Superintendent of Literature and Publicity shall be responsible for the promotion of the World Outlook and the Louisiana News. She shall appoint with the approval of the Executive Committee, the Editor of the News.
6. The Superintendent of Supplies shall report quarterly to the House Cultivation Secretary in charge of organization and to the Conference Secretary.
7. Districts may be divided into zones according to their size. A leader for each zone shall be appointed by January 1 by the District Secretary, subject to the approval of the Conference Secretary. The zone leaders shall hold meetings quarterly in their zones. A collection may be taken at each meeting. After the expense of the meeting is paid the leader shall send the remainder to the Conference Treasurer, stating the amount and from what zone.
8. Fifty cents per member shall be set aside by the Treasurer for Conference Expense fund. Membership to be based on enrollment December 31 of preceding year. Expenses of officers, Editor of Louisiana Missionary News, speakers at annual meetings and Mid-Term Executive meeting, shall be paid from the Conference Expense fund. All money in the fund at the end of fiscal year over the amount necessary to adequately carry on the Conference work shall revert to the general fund.

9. At each annual and district meeting public collections shall be taken for the Conference work and amounts forwarded to the Conference Treasurer. The District Secretary may pay the expense of one outside guest to the district meeting before remitting to the Treasurer.
10. The Treasurer shall advance each quarter for office expense the following amounts: To President, Vice-President, Superintendents Young Women's Groups and Mission and Bible Study, $7.50 each; to Conference Secretary, $12.50; Superintendents of Supplies, Christian Social Relations, Children's Work, $10.00 each; District Secretaries, $5.00 each; Distributor of Literature, $20.00; to Treasurer, $20.00 per month. Postage expense shall be allowed all chairmen of Conference Committees.
11. A half-hour of each forenoon during the Annual Meeting of the Conference shall be devoted to Bible study and worship.
12. There shall be a Standing Committee on Constitution and By-Laws consisting of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to watch all proposed legislation and call attention to any overlapping, conflicting, unnecessary items. It shall prepare for use under proper heading in the Annual Report a copy of the Standing Rules and Rules of Order. The Chairman shall be elected by the Executive Committee.
13. There shall be a Standing Committee on Finance. It shall be the duty of this committee to study the financial needs of the Conference and plan ways to raise money to meet these needs. It shall make an annual report to the Conference Society of its work. The chairman shall be elected by the Executive Committee.
14. All proposed changes to the by-laws shall be sent to the Committee on Constitution and by-laws 30 days before the annual meeting of the Conference, and typed copies shall be made for distribution to the delegates.
15. There shall be a Candidate Committee composed of the President, Conference Secretary, and Superintendent of Young Women's Circles. It shall be the duty of this committee to interview those interested in preparing for definite Christian service.
16. When a Council worker is employed by the Conference there shall be set up an Advisory Committee. This shall be composed of the District Secretary, any Conference officer residing within the District, and one woman representing each church in the Charge in which the work is undertaken. The Presiding Elder and Local Pastor may be co-opted members.
17. The duties of Conference Reporter shall be added to the regular duties of the Recording Secretary.
18. There shall be a standing committee on personnel consisting of

seven members, preferably one from each District. It shall be the duty of this committee to keep informed as to the types of women needed for places of leadership in the Woman's Missionary Conference, to seek constantly throughout the church for women who are consecrated, trained and available for such places of service. It shall furnish this information to the Conference when the occasion demands.

STANDING RULES OF THE CONFERENCE

Art. 1.—

A letter of introduction shall be issued to the member of the Missionary Society moving from one church to another.

Art. 2.—

Scholarship shall not be granted for Home or Foreign Mission work by Council or Conference, to young women who do not meet the educational requirements adopted by the Council.

Art. 3.—

Application for all specials shall be made through the Conference Secretary.

Art. 4.—

All communications from Conference Officers, such as circular letters, literature, et cetera, must go direct to auxiliary officers of corresponding office, instead of through District Secretaries.

Art. 5.—

The retiring District Secretary shall plan far as possible, and if necessary, hold the first district meeting after Conference. The District Secretary will be allowed expense money to attend one meeting a year in each of the zones in her district.

Art. 6.—

A committee shall be appointed to approve the minutes of each meeting of the Conference session.

Art. 7.—

Standing Committees shall meet for organization before leaving the place of meeting of the Conference. Each committee shall have the right to make its own quorum.

Art. 8.—

In each Conference Society a committee of three, one of whom shall be the Conference Secretary, shall be elected to visit the home institutions within its boundary and co-operate with them for the advancement of their work. An expense account may be presented when necessary.

Art. 9.—

Typists shall be supplied at Conference for the writing of committee reports.

Art. 10.—

When a Young Woman's Circle shall have been organized two years that circle shall no longer go by the title of Young Woman's Circle, but a new circle of young women shall be formed, having as a nucleus all old members under 25 years of age.

RULES OF ORDER

Art. 1.—

Each meeting shall open and close with a religious service.

Art. 2.—

All resolutions shall be presented in writing and signed by two members.

Art. 3.—

No member shall receive recognition unless she rise to address the chair.

Art. 4.—

Courtesies shall be limited to the 10 minutes before noon devotional service.

STANDING RULES FOR ADULT AUXILIARIES

1. All auxiliaries shall hold their business meetings the first week of the month, if advisable.

2. The week beginning with the first Sunday in November shall be observed as a Week of Prayer.

3. No new auxiliary can be reported until a quarterly report has been sent to the Conference Treasurer and District Secretary.

4. Each auxiliary shall pay $4.00 per year for Scarritt Maintenance Fund.

5. In order that the auxiliary entertaining the Annual Conference may not be deprived of the benefits of the meeting, a luncheon shall be served by an outside agency, at a price not to exceed 50 cents per plate.

6. In case any auxiliary is not sending a member as delegate to the Annual Conference of the Woman's Missionary Society, that auxiliary may elect its zone leader to serve in that capacity, and may also assist in paying her expenses.

7. One-fourth of the membership of the auxiliary shall constitute a quorum for the election of officers.

8. The president of the auxiliary shall be responsible for the calling of an executive meeting the last of each quarter, at which time the reports should be made out and mailed to the Conference Officers.

9. Each Auxiliary Corresponding Secretary shall send the total

Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. C. D. Munson, Baker, La.

Baker	Mrs. F. F. Reed	Baker, La.
Blackwater	Mrs. Alvin Sides, R. 4,	Baton Rouge, La.
Deerford	Mrs. J. F. Millican	Deerford, La.
Live Oak	Mrs. T. W. Ott	Watson, La.
Meadows Chapel	Mrs. A. Johnson	Prairieville, La.
Walker	Mrs. M. G. Stewart	Corbin, La.
Denham Springs	Mrs. Clay Easterly	Denham Springs, La.

Zone 4—Leader, Mrs. Hauce Wilson, Tickfaw, La.

Hammond	Mrs. Roy Alford	Hammond, La.
Natalbany	Mrs. J. L. Beasley	Natalbany, La.
Ponchatoula	Mrs. C. Prichard	Ponchatoula, La.
Springfield	Mrs. Rudolph Hoover, R. 1,	Hammond, La.
Lees Landing	Mrs. James Stecker, R. 1,	Ponchatoula, La.
Wesley Chapel	Mrs. Lizzie Howes, R. 1.	Ponchatoula, La.
Tickfaw	Mrs. Hauce Wilson	Tickfaw, La.
Tangipahoa	Mrs. A. R. Costa	Tangipahoa, La.

Zone 5—Leader, Mrs. John Trotter, Ethel, La.

Clinton	Mrs. S. J. McLean	Clinton, La.
Ethel	Mrs. B. A. Price	Ethel, La.
Jackson	Mrs. I. G. Gayden	Gurley, La.
New Hope	Mrs. T. E. Spillman	Spillman, La.
St. Francisville	Mrs. Harry Daniel	St. Francisville, La.

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. J. B. Mouton, Sulphur

Auxiliary	Presidents	Address
Grand Chenier	Mrs. A. M. Garber	Cameron
Hackberry	Mrs. T. D. Lipscomb	Hackberry
Lake Charles	Mrs. A. M. Mutersbaugh, Box 661	Lake Charles
Moss Bluff	Mrs. W. R. Corrigan, Box 293	Lake Charles
Sulphur	Mrs. W. P. Lewis	Sulphur
Vinton	Mrs. L. O. Campbell	Vinton

Zone 2—Leader, Mrs. A. O. Rhoad, Jeanerette

Abbeville	Mrs. A. R. Moist	Abbeville
Kaplan	Miss Elmira Montgomery	Kaplan
Jeanerette	Mrs. A. O. Rhoad	Jeanerette
Lafayette	Mrs. B. O. Childs	Lafayette
New Iberia	Mrs. A. C. LaSalle	New Iberia
Rayne	Mrs. C. C. Carver	Rayne
St. Martinville	Mrs. F. M. Carson	St. Martinville

Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. D. W. Smith, Merryville

Alco	Mrs.	John Turner	Alco
Anacoco	Mrs.	R. C. Guy	Anacoco
DeRidder	Mrs.	W. N. Riddick	DeRidder
Elizabeth	Mrs.	B. G. Dowies	Elizabeth
Leesville	Mrs.	J. C. Terrell	Leesville
Lucky Grove	Mrs.	J. T. Talbert, R. 2	Pitkin
Hornbeck	Mrs.	R. T. Pecket	Hornbeck
Many	Mrs.	Charles Williams	Many
Merryville	Mrs.	Bert Frazar	Merryville
Prospect	Mrs.	T. W. Conerly	Florien

Zone 4—Leader, Mrs. P. D. Lambert, Route 1, Crowley

Basile	Mrs.	Jodie Stockwell	Basile
Church Point	Mrs.	B. F. Roberts	Church Point
Crowley	Mrs.	J. W. Wynne	Crowley
Eunice	Mrs.	Charles A. Sanders	Eunice
Gueydan	Mrs.	H. G. Hardee	Gueydan
Indian Bayou	Mrs.	Gladney Hoffpauir, Star R.,	Rayne
Lake Arthur	Mrs.	W. C. Heinen	Lake Arthur
Maxie	Mrs.	L. B. Robinson, R. 1,	Crowlev

MONROE DISTRICT

District Secretary—Mrs. E. C. Gibson, Alvis Hotel, Monroe, La
Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. Gilford Wright, Sterlington, La.

Auxiliaries	Presidnents	Address
Bartholomew	Mrs. O. C. Floyd	Bastrop, La
Bastrop	Mrs. Smith Stevenson	Bastrop, La.
Bonita	Mrs. Scott Buatt	Bonita, La.
Claiborne	Mrs. J. R. Frantom	West Monroe, La.
Collinston	Mrs. R. L. Wilson	Collinston, La.
Columbia	Mrs. Lee Wells	Columbia, La.
Fairbanks	Mrs. C. W. Nichols	Fairbanks, La.
Jones	Mrs. W. L. Pugh	Jones, La.
Mer Rouge	Mrs. Sallie Higginbotham	Mer Rouge, La.
Monroe, First Church	Mrs. DeWitt Henry	503 Bres Ave., Monroe, La.
Monroe, Gordon Avenue	Mrs. C. L. Taylor	114 Grayling Lane, Monroe, La.
Oak Ridge	Mrs. W. D. Carroll	Oak Ridge, La.
Sterlington	Mrs. Scott Horton	Sterlington, La.
Swartz	Mrs. J. H. Miller	Swartz, La.
West Monroe	Mrs. D. C. Metcalf	609 Natchitoches St., West Monroe, La.

Zone 2—Leader, Mrs. W. McG. Dollerhide, Oak Grove, La.

Delhi	Mrs. Lorenz Teer	Delhi, La.
Epps	Mrs. L. W. LeFevre	Epps, La.
Forest	Mrs. J. H. Waller	Forest, La.
Oak Grove	Mrs. Jesse James	Oak Grove, La.
Pioneer		
Rayville	Mrs. W. L. Haley	Rayville, La
Tallulah	Mrs. A. C. Thompson	Tallulah, La
Lake Providence	Mrs. S. A. Seegers	Lake Providence, La

Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. A. J. Ensminger, Wisner, La.

Baskin	Mrs. A. L. McPhail	Baskin, La.
Buckner	Mrs. F. B. Hatch	R.F.D. 3, Rayville, La.
Crowville	Mrs. B. C. Lanier	R.F.D. 4, Winnsboro, La.
Gilbert	Mrs. W. L. Thornburge	Gilbert, La.
Little Creek	Mrs. Jas. M. Thomason	Alto, La.
Mangham	Mrs. Urson Bacle	Mangham, La.
St. Joseph	Mrs. Betty Rives	St. Joseph, La.
Waterproof	Mrs. O. B. Deason	Waterproof, La.
Wesley	Mrs. B. W. Berry	St. Joseph, La.
Winnsboro	Mrs. G. A. Wiggers	Winnsboro, La.
Wisner	Mrs. G. G. Cotton	Wisner, La

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. S. E. Castles, 2900 Palmer Ave., New Orleans

Auxiliaries	Presidents	Address
Algiers	Mrs. N. N. Hopkins,	1920 Bodinger Blvd. Algiers, La
Carrollton	Mrs. W. D. Storms,	8237 Nelson St. New Orleans, La.
Epworth	Mrs. Fred Miller,	3821 Cleveland Ave. New Orleans, La.
Felicity	Mrs. J T. Monroe,	4123 Loyola Ave. New Orleans, La.
First Church	Mrs. T. B. Bell,	3445 Vincennes St. New Orleans, La.
Gentilly	Mrs. M. C. Reese,	2547 Wisteria St. New Orleans, La.
McDonoughville	Mrs. T. M. Bozone,	1415 First St. Gretna, La.
Munholland Memorial	Mrs. A. W. Reich,	439 Aurora Ave. New Orleans, La.
Parker Memorial	Mrs. George Robinson,	6025 S. Robertson St., New Orleans, La.
Rayne Memorial	Mrs. C. I. Jones,	6215 St. Charles St. New Orleans, La.

Second Church.....Mrs. M. Rouse, 4217 Bienville St. New Orleans, La.

St. Marks.....Mrs. M. E. Mandlebaum, 1027 N. Rampart St., New Orleans, La

Zone 2—Leader, Mrs. K. A. Baker, Slidell

Bogalusa.....Mrs. Roy Waters, 317 Mississippi Ave. Bogalusa, La.

Col. St. Church.....Mrs. Corbeth Mitchel, Long Ave., Rt. 2, Bogalusa, La.

Covington.....Mrs. Henry Mayfield.....Covington, La.

Pearl River.....Miss Gertrude Svendson..Pearl River, La.

Slidell.....Mrs. J. H. Robert.....Slidell, La

Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. Desire Bergeron, Houma, La.

Boutte, Paradis.....Mrs. C. A. Jackson.....Paradis, La

Bayou Blue.....Mrs. Eldon Arceneaux, Rt. 2, Box 56R, Houma, La.

Golden Meadow.....Mrs. M. E. Brossette..Golden Meadow, La.

Labadieville.....Mrs. Emile Richard.....Labadieville, La.

Lockport.....Mrs. Manny Barrios.....Lockport, La.

Point au Chene.....Mrs. John Neal, Sr.....Montegut, La.

Zone 4—Leader, Mrs. Clyde Alpha, Franklin, La.

Donaldsonville.....Mrs. F. H. James.....Welcome, La.

Franklin.....Mrs. C. C. Wier.....Franklin, La.

Franklin Business WomenMiss Martha Simonton.....Franklin, La.

Houma.....Mrs. Claude Ellender .....Houma, La.

Morgan City.....Mrs. J. W. Rasson.....Morgan City, La.

RUSTON DISTRICT

Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. Carolyn Dawson, Haynesville, La.

	Presidnents	Address
Arizona	Mrs. A. Gleason	Arizona
Athens	Mrs. G. L. Kilpatrick	Athens
Birds Chapel	Mrs. Allen Harrell	Truxno
Bernice	Mrs. G. E. Caraway	Bernice
Dubach	Mrs. G. E. McCallum	Dubach
Farmerville	Mrs. A. C. Dykes	Farmerville
Harmony Chapel	Mrs. R. G. Fuller	Hico
Haynesville	Mrs. A. G. Worley	Hayneville
Homer	Mrs. S. S. Moreland, Jr.	Homer
Lisbon	Mrs. B. W. McDonald	Lisbon
Marion	Mrs. S. L. Reeves	Marion
Summerfield	Mrs. W. A. Gray	Summerfield
Weldon (Alabama)	Mrs. J. H. Boatman	Bernice, R.F.D.

Zone 2—Leader, Mrs. Sidney Stewart, Calhoun

Calhoun	Mrs. E. M. Mouser	Calhoun
Choudrant	Mrs. C. H. Futrelle	Choudrant
Downsville	Mrs. R. M. McGeehee	Downsville
Hilly	Mrs. J. E. Saint	Hilly
Ruston	Mrs. Glen Laskey	Ruston
Salem	Mrs. T. L. McCrary	Hilly
Simsboro	Mrs. L. W. Willis	Simsboro

Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. A. E. Woodard, Ringgold

Cotton Valley	Mrs. S. L. Frye	Cotton Valley
Dubberly	Mrs. Irwin Rowland	Dubberly
Gibsland	Mrs. E. W. Nelson	Gibsland
Heflin	Mrs. H. W. Smith	Heflin
McIntyre	Mrs. H. W. Cox	Minden, R. 3
Minden	Mrs. Dwight Blake	Minden
Ringgold	Mrs. George Thomas	Ringgold
Sibley	Mrs. R. H. Marvin	Sibley
Springhill	Mrs. T. T. Curry	Springhill

Zone 4—Leader, Mrs. Walker McDonald, Jonesboro

Arcadia	Mrs. Stewart Deas	Arcadia
Bear Creek	Mrs. J. E. Boddie	Bienville, R.F.D.
Bienville	Mrs. A. R. Corn	Bienville
Clay	Mrs. Frank Henderson	Clay
Eros	Mrs. J. P. Maxwell	Eros
Hodge	Mrs. Charles Palmer	Hodge
Jonesboro	Mrs. Paul Stintson	Jonesboro
Quitman	Mrs. U. R. Guess	Quitman
Dodson	Mrs. L. Stewart	Dodson

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. W. A. Sawyer, Belcher, La.

Auxiliaries	Auxiliaries	
Belcher	Mrs. A. W. Gleason, Jr.	Belcher
Gilliam	Mrs. N. E. Fargerson	Gilliam
Hosston	Mrs. A. B. McKinney	Hosston
Ida	Mrs. Fred Jones	Ida
Mooringsport	Mrs. J. H. Bradford	Mooringsport
Oil City	Mrs. P. T. Alexander	Oil City
Shreveport Noel	Mrs. H. B. Wren, 200 Dalzell	Shreveport
Vivian	Mrs. P. C. Brittian, Box 744	Rodessa

Zone 2—Leader, Mrs. Lee Tidwell, Shreveport, 2217 Henrietta St.

Alden Bridge	Mrs. H. J. Reivers	Alden Bridge
Benton	Mrs. W. G. Stinson	Benton

Bossier City.....Mrs. W. B. Newby, 426 Minden St., Bossier City
Doyline.....Mrs. J. S. Willis.....Doyline
Haughton.....Mrs. F. H. Lawrence.....Haughton
Plain Dealing.....Mrs. W. H. Martin.....Plain Dealing
Shreveport Mangum.....Mrs. L. B. Thomas, 3145 Lillian, Shreveport
Shreveport Wynn.....Mrs. E. M. Stowell, 2920 Sumner Shreveport

Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. W. L. Gilmer, Stonewall

Bethany.....Mrs. Dan Prudhome .....Bethany
Cedar Grove.....Mrs. Chas. Ault, 2504 Lindholm Ave. Shreveport
Grand Cane.....Mrs. C. C. Payne.....Grand Cane
Greenwood.....Mrs. J. B. Vaughn.....Greenwood
Keithville.....Mrs. W. H. Keith.....Keithville
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